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### HIS COMING.

BY HOLLIS FREEMAN.

Where is the promise of His coming? Vhere the red eastern flame? For since the fathers fell asleep, All things go on the same.

Last year I looked not for His coming, I watched the young spring's birth; Enough for me the budding leaves, The blossomed flowers of earth.

I walked beneath a brightening sun The live-long summer day: Only the promise of this earth I asked for on my way.

But now between that day and this There lies a vanished spring, With faded flowers, and thwarted scheme And hopes that soon took wing.

Drear failures covered o'er with dust; Dim visions round my brow; Life promised much of glory then -I ask but little now.

Youth over, is it only thus? Must we lift up but empty hands And cry. "life's heritage?" Is it because the day is dark,

Dim shadowed by the night, We watch with anxious eyes to see The dawn of coming light? The heart grows sick with vain desire.

Fast sinks life's setting sun : We meant to do so much, and now We find so little done.

Ourselves a failure, marred by sin; Defaced life's noblest plan; From unrest must we turn to rest. And hail the perfect Man.

All things go on the same, ah yes! His promise standeth sure —
The great Unchangeable — who saith, Watch on, wait still, endure."

#### MORE ABOUT THE BISHOPS.

BY REV. L. R. DUNN, D. D.

to displace it by anything else, would them. be not only to damage but to destroy Another question arises here: If

should be eighteen or twenty bishops which, under other and more favor- tive slave law, which was really in all, and in this number they should able conditions, would be realized. worse for her than nothing. include a bishop for China and Japan, Why not have a resident bishop at the The South now, in her desperalong-continued questions as to their nomination or election by the annual Conferences. In an editorial in the Western Advocate of Feb. 11, this suggestion is put forward: "That at all times the needed numerical strength of the episcopal board will be reached when its members will be numerically sufficient to hold, year by year, one district conference in each district within every Annual Conference over which they are to preside." The italics are not our own. Without fully subscribing to this in detail, the suggestion is certainly worthy of considera-

One thing, we think, is very clear. presiding elders; and another thing is presiding elders, who receive for their support from twenty to twenty-five character, and its sphere of operations, are already regarded as sub-bishops. vital to us - an integral part of our least, and the appointments could not whole church economy. We cannot, be understandingly made without powers, or impair its efficiency. Not of our bishops, now no more on earth, it is so made, from the first, the cen- only with the elders, but with the aid articles. tral idea of our form of Church gov- of some of the oldest and wisest of the erament, that to imperil it, or attempt | Conference, to unmake and re-arrange

the system. Hence our fathers wise- one elder would be sufficient for the ly ordained in their restrictive rules work of most of our Conferences, why that the General Conference "shall not constitute and call him a bishop! not change or alter any part or rule of And, again, why not let him arrange our government, so as to do away and make the appointments in his episcopacy, or destroy the plan of our Conference? The elders, de facto, itinerant general superintendency." make the appointments now. Why But our book of Discipline nowhere may not an elder, de jure, make them, defines the number of our superintend- the elder, of course, to be recognized ents, or bishops. This is wisely left as the bishop of the Conference? I to the discretion of the General Con- think I hear a multitude of voices sayference, as it regards the manifest ing, "Why this would be diocesan wants of the Church. Beginning with episcopacy!" Do not be alarmed, two bishops, we have gone on in- my friends, but pause and consider. creasing their numbers, until, at the Have we not district bishops now, so General Conference of 1872, we had far, at least, as fixed residence is contwelve. But this increase in the num- cerned? Might we not have, then, ber of the bishops was in nowise pro- Conference bishops, residing and travportionate to the growth of the Church. eling within the bounds of the Confer-When we had but one Conference, ence? But, it will be said, this would and shortly after, when, for a length do away "the plan of an itinerant of time (from 1784 to 1808), we only general superintendency." Not neceshad two or three, and a few thousand sarily, certainly, any more than locatmembers, we had two bishops, ing the residence of our bishops now Now, when we have nearly a hundred within certain districts would tend so

intelligent, view of the real wants of make, and the multitude of interests just at the right time, God in His that has defended and nourished it, the ordinary missionary agencies. the Church. Others think we should they have to attend to, and the limited providence brought the California and so abundantly blessed it. have only two or three more, to fill the time which they have to devote to gold mines to light, and so many places of the lamented Janes, Ames their consideration, and the lack of northern men rushed in after the gold turning over the leaves of their Bibles do rejoice, yea, and will rejoice." places of the lamented Janes, Ames and Haven. This would leave us but twelve, including the beloved and aged Sect, and the much overworked Simpson, both of whom would be simpson, simpson, so the term to simpson. But t

that there shall be a less number of we would say, instead of limiting the and sounded in the ears of their ance. number of bishops, as some would do, slaves. equally clear, viz., that the best men to the very smallest possible number, "John Brown's body lies a-mould'ring in the of the Conferences should be selected let them be increased so as to give for this position. In the little State one bishop to each of the older and work that is needed to be done by each of the Conferences support its Sumpter. At the close of a four city every night, and the great at- refuses its demands. What shall be sults. In proportion as the fundathese officers of the Church, at a cost own bishop, who shall reside within years' bloody war, the South was tendance shows a deeper zeal every the answer of the Church? Whatever mental truths of the Gospel are of only about one-third of this amount? its bounds, visit all its churches, su- subdued, slavery was abolished, the year. The Empress and many high it may be, it is awaited with interest slighted, all methods of church work The same thing is true everywhere, perintend all its interests, preside at Union was preserved, and the nation functionaries were present several by all classes. The question of the episcopacy in our Church as to its numbers, its work. Now these presiding elders pointments of its ministers. Had we ever before, in the eyes of the world. is, at this time, vital to us, involving, They represent the churches, they there is no decline of religious life, so carefully weighed, as at the pres- Church be known from the accurate as it evidently does, our future unity represent the ministry in the cabinet the General Conference of the Church. one hundred and two Pilgrim? in the but rather advancement. We are ent time. It is evident that the statistics of God. We cannot suband prosperity. We cannot afford to and at the Conferences, and the ap- We can only suggest here that it would wilderness of the new world, in 1620, glad to be able to chronicle an in- wide-spread diffusion of intelligence, stitute the attractions of art, or the make a mistake in any of the points pointments are made at their repre- be a delegated body as now; but in forty-one of whom were men, and crease in the number of students of the high standard of education, and methods of genius, for the spirituality above suggested. One thing is clear sentation or recommendation. At addition to this, there should be a constituted the body of freemen — the theology, particularly of the evangel- the claims of asthetic culture, can- of the Church. To attempt this, is to every eareful observer of our his- present, the bishops know but very house of bishops, whose confirmation embryo nation. It is seen in the pres- ical school. For years there had been not, with safety, be lightly esteemed as ridiculous as to deck a corpse with tory and work as a denomination, and little of either the preachers or the of all the action of the General Con- ervation and growth of this small setting in an unaccountable and alarm- by the Church. Societies of a purely jewelry. that is, that the episcopacy itself is people of some of our Conferences, at ference should be essential to make band amid the perils of the wilder- ing decrease. It is also matter of intellectual character attract the edwithout peril, ignore its existence and their counsel and information. One of the Senate of the United States, to that increase and prosperity, which, its great leader, Schenkel of Heidel- to monopolize all that is beautiful in fault. We believe in the general because it is jure divino, or because thought that he could make the ap- action of the more popular branch of enabled them to assume and maintain gry and unfed. On the other hand, the Church should not ignore these but is it improper, at any time, to

#### GOD SEEN IN AMERICAN HIS-TORY.

III.

BY REV. LUTHER LEE, D. D.

In 1833 the American Anti-Slavery Society was organized, and a system of agitation was commenced, purely moral in its character, in its measures, and in its intended results. right to the wrong of slavery, and se-

Meanwhile the South had used up

one for India, one for Germany and points before referred to - one who tion, secured a repeal of the Missouri Switzerland, one for Sweden, Den- would travel and live among the peo- Compromise, with a view of carrying mark and Norway, one colored bishop, ple all the year around, one who might slavery into Kansas, and attempted it

But his soul is marching on."

space, we should like to consider fur- To sum up this whole history: The cates, at the beginning of 1880, that telligently criticised, and its influence opened," and the real work of the such action valid and binding; and ness, the climate, and savage gratulation that, at the centre of ucated, and amusements which, to "line upon line, and precept upon who should have the power, like that foes. The hand of God is seen in scholastic rationalism, at the feet of say the least, are frivolous, endeavor precept." We do not desire to find restrain the too hasty or inconsiderate in one hundred and fifty-six years. we regard it as in a line of succession pointments without his elders; and it that body. With your permission, their independence against the great- the lecture-room of Kahnis in Leip- attractions, she cannot depend upon point to the Cross, as being the power from the apostles, but because it has took him, after the appointments had Mr. Editor, this and other questions est war-power of the world, and to sic, warm with true religious fervor, them. The minister is acknowledged that draws? been so incorporated into our system; been read, more than a week, not will be considered in one or two more command the respect of all nations. is crowded. Enthusiasm and ap- to be the main factor in the popularwhich, in one hundred years from the conscientious professor daily. Revolution, made us one of the great- WEEK OF PRAYER FOR YOUNG WOMEN. est nations on the earth, and the wonder of the world. Our banner waves from the Lakes and the cold waters of the St. Lawrence to the suncific shore where it goes down behind the western wave. On every foot of land over which our stars and stripes are unrolled, the heart of liberty The design was to oppose truth and throbs, and songs of freedom thrill

If those who spend long forenoons

RELIGIOUS WORK ABROAD.

BY REV. GIDEON DRAPER.

LONDON WEEK OF PRAYER.

It is seen in that continued prosperity, plause greet and cheer the earnest and ity of a church. If he attract but

The first week in February has

the Young Women's Christian Asso-

THE SALVATION ARMY.

thus leave the superintendency of the deal of time; it is a great toil and Mexican war followed; and all this the hand of God in the history of this snow, the sunshine and the rain. ly arising, "What will draw?" whole Church to only about eight or sacrifice; and certainly, it is a great was to obtain territory on which to nation. Happy will it be for the gen- Thousands are the instances of renine bishops. This is certainly an expense. Then, again, from the wide plant slavery. Mexico was beaten, erations to come, if the nation shall markable conversion from the classes the labors of Christian ministers who extremely narrow, and we think uncircuit which they are required to and the territory was obtained; but, they for the Hand that planted it, unreached by church or chapel, or by the defended and nourished it.

THE POWER THAT DRAWS.

BY REV. F. T. POMEROY.

The late newspaper correspondent, ministers and churches, who are anxmark and Norway, one colored bishop, and one for the German Conferences. There are yet others, who think that There are yet others, who there are yet of the Yes are yet o There are yet others, who think that could do the work more understands struggle, much struggle, Conference, and thus do away with tion, could do it more efficiently and grants' Aid Society, and Sharp's riAlliance at home and in foreign merely ropes of sand, and part under saints;" upon which many churches These changes, we think, could be slavery. The South was really designed to the strain of a pastor's removal."

Anti-slavery had made great strain of a pastor's removal."

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We would be glad to believe that be eloquent in his preaching if he are those and in foreign the strain of a pastor's removal."

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The second the strain of a pastor's removal. The second the These changes, we think, could be made in our ecclesiastical economy without producing any material friction; they would settle the presiding elder question forever; they would glorious canvass for Fremont in 1856, give new weight, dignity and efficiency to our Conference bishops; they would cession. While they were getting to our Conference bishops; they would be glad to believe that with a general response. Langham Hall, in the fashionable West End of London, was numerously attended throughout the week. In the centre of the city meetings were held in Centenary Hall. Services in connection with the Young Men's Christian to our Conference bishops; they would be glad to believe that with a general response. Langham personal congregations are peculiar to New York and Brooklyn; but the facts which daily challenge attention render such a belief impossible. The times in which the minister was invested with peculiar sanctity, on action with the Young Men's Christian the South determined upon section with the Young Men's Christian to be eloquent in his preaching it now with the would be glad to believe that with a general response. Langham personal congregations are peculiar to New York and Brooklyn; but the facts which daily challenge attention render such a belief impossible. The times in which the minister was invested with peculiar sanctity, on action; they would settle the presiding glorious canvass for Fremont in 1856, that the South determined upon section; they would be glad to believe that with a general response. Langham personal congregations are peculiar to New York and Brooklyn; but the facts which daily challenge attention render such a belief impossible. The time is the conference bishops; they would be glad to believe that be cloquent in his preaching to New York and Brooklyn; but the facts which daily challenge attention render such a belief impossible. The time of the city means preach to New York and Brooklyn; but the facts which daily challenge attention render such a belief impossible. The time of to our Conference bishops; they would cession. While they were getting vastly lessen the present expensiveness of our machinery; and, in our judg- and suffered in Kansas, made an extra count of his office, have passed away.

Association were arranged for three count of his office, have passed away.

Popular estimates of a man's fitness to have the great, essential element of the count of his office.

Popular estimates of a man's fitness to have the great, essential element of the count of his office. ment, would greatly increase the efficiency into Virginia, and fell into different localities. In the famous for the ministry are, in these days, effective preaching. There is a subtile ciency of all our operations. A regular official visit made once a year by the Conference bishop would be all magnanimity, but they had none to the Conference bishop would be all magnanimity, but they had none to the Conference bishop would be all magnanimity, but they had none to the Conference bishop would be all magnanimity, but they had none to the Conference bishop would be all magnanimity, but they had none to the Conference bishop would be all magnanimity, but they had none to the Conference bishop would be all magnanimity, but they had none to the Conference bishop would be all magnanimity, but they had none to the Conference bishop would be all magnanimity, but they had none to the conference bishop would be all magnanimity, but they had none to the conference bishop would be all magnanimity, but they had none to the conference bishop would be all magnanimity, but they had none to the conference bishop would be all magnanimity, but they had none to the conference bishop would be all magnanimity, but they had none to the conference bishop would be all magnanimity, but they had none to the conference bishop would be all magnanimity, but they had none to the conference bishop would be all magnanimity, but they had none to the conference bishop would be all magnanimity, but they had none to the conference bishop would be all magnanimity. The conference bishop would be all magnanimity to show their magnanimity are, in these days, the conference bishop would be all magnanimity, but they had none to the conference bishop would be all magnanimity. The conference bishop would be all magnanimity are, in these days, the conference bishop would be all magnanimity are, in these days, the conference bishop would be all magnanimity are, in these days, the conference bishop would be all magnanimity are the conference bishop would be all magnanimity. that is necessary to understand the wants and wishes of the churches; Brown. Little did they think what while his presence could be sought, God's providence would bring out of ent provinces of England, and from the fluctuations of trade, the rapid qualities the consecrated minister of and his counsel obtained, whenever the hanging. The name of John Ireland and Scotland. The Week of multiplication of objects of diversion Christ possesses. He is beloved by any exigency should arise demanding Brown thrilled the hearts of thouthat the Church demands imperatively them. In concluding this article, then, sands, echoed over their plantations, an institution of wide-spread observ- and the claims of society, have com- not merely a personal congregation. bined to produce a distaste for the If he fails to be appreciated, it is besimple Gospel of Christ, and to create cause his hearers refuse to approach The same remark holds true of the a demand upon the pulpit for amuse- the Cross, behind which he hides. united Fatherland. Many German ment of a more or less elevated He preaches a Gospel of universal pofrom which I write there are ten larger Conferences, and one for every During the administration of Prestowns united in these world-meetings, character. The Church of to-day is tency; and he preaches with boldtwo, or three, or more, of the newer ident Buchanan, they carried the with greater interest and greater ne- besieged by a clamorous crowd, which ness, for he knows that man might and smaller Conferences. Let the arms to the South, scattered the cessity than England or the United cries, "Speak unto us smooth as well attempt to fence the horizon, thousand dollars. Who can doubt that office of presiding elder be merged into army, and spent the last dollar in the States. In Berlin two large meetings things;" and threatens to withdraw or tether the stars of heaven, as to two efficient men could do all the that of the Conference bishop. Let treasury; and then fired upon Fort were held in different parts of the its patronage from that church which restrict it in its influences and re-

> berg, there sit but three learners, hun- nature or refined in art. But while purity and efficiency of the Church; few, he is held responsible; if crowds From our Exchanges. flock to hear him, he becomes fabeen thus observed, in connection with able. They dislike to preach to empty of the unconverted, common humanity ciation of London. Meetings have been held in twelve different localities been held in twelve different localities warmed Gulf of Mexico; and from the Atlantic, where the sun rises on the Atlantic, where the sun rises on the Atlantic where the sun rises on the Atlantic where the sun rises on throughout the week. It might be culture are costly, but, though dewell for kindred associations to follow culture are costly, but, though de- with them as a man pleads for his life,

minister who will "draw." The year 1879 closes with a reportThe temptation to build up a perhe were rushing blindly over a precipice, we would lay hold of him and even right to the wrong of slavery, and secure its overthrow by moral power.

Slavery had so extended its influence,

Slavery had so extended its influence, Slavery had so extended its influence, and so corrupted public sentiment, so school-houses, academies and colleges only has it extended its territory of ity are lowered, and the preaching to our creed, there are scores within and so corrupted public sentiment, so debauched the press, and perverted the pulpit, that a storm of indignative properties and so corrupted public sentiment, so would be a glory to any land — how labor, but greater power has come caters to the tastes of the worldly—and directly under our influence, who are rushing blindly, or half awake, on to tion was brought down upon the its native wildness, untouched by the has been made into Scotland. If ever the Church to draw a crowd on Suntion was brought down upon the heads of the few anti-slavery men, and they were assailed by lawless religion more free, more liberally ain have lost their old-time enthusi- largest congregation would be most them!—Northwestern. mob-violence; some were killed, some supported, and more generally ob- asm, here at least—and we are al- successful. But so long as the spirit mob-violence; some were killed, some had their property destroyed, and all served in its essential duties. In no most compelled to say only here—is of Christianity remains what it is, watching the coming of the young men were subjected to various persecucountry is there so little extreme povfound Christianity in downright earworldliness in spirit, and sensationalfrom the country, and taking them under erty and suffering, and such a super- nestness. There have been the usual ism in method, on the part of the their fostering care, cannot be overesabundance of all the essentials of life concomitants - persecutions, mobs, Church, must result in spiritual dis- timated. Hundreds of young men. well and comfort. We have bread to feed imprisonment. Five thousand have aster. We very much doubt if the trained at home, ready for active Chris-Conferences and more than a million to do. For the bishops of Conferences its territory, while the North had terand a half of members, we only have twelve.

The single item for hir being of conferences and more than a million to do. For the bishops of Conferences and more than a million to do. For A very important question arises thought best so to do, and thus keep done, or the South fall into a hopethere: Has not the time come when we should largely increase the number of our bishops? Various, indeed, ber of our bishops? Various, indeed, but it could not be observed and thus keep the singhtest mark of the divine hand the singhtest mark of the divine hand in our history. Other nations were the singhtest mark of the divine hand in our history. Other nations were thought of the singhtest mark of the divine hand in our history. Other nations were thought of the singhtest mark of the divine hand in our history. Other nations were thought of the singhtest mark of the divine hand in our history. Other nations were thought of the singhtest mark of the divine hand in our history. Other nations were thought of the singhtest mark of the divine hand in our history. Other nations were thought of the singhtest mark of the divine hand in our history. Other nations were thought of the singhtest mark of the divine hand in our history. Other nations were the singhtest mark of the divine hand in our history. Other nations were the singhtest mark of the divine hand in our history. Other nations were the singhtest mark of the divine hand in our history. Other nations were the singhtest mark of the divine hand in our history. Other nations were the singhtest mark of the divine hand in our history. Other nations were the singhtest mark of the divine hand in our history. Other nations were the singhtest mark of the divine hand in our history. Other nations were the singhtest mark of the divine hand in our history. Other nations were the singhtest mark of the divine hand in our history. Other n are the opinions held as to the num- most loyal, it does seem to be an un- tained. Attention was turned to but we have sprung into giant pro- vices were held during the past year, dictate, are not the people to replen- their services wanted, their services wanted to but we have sprung into giant probers essential to the efficiency of the episcopacy. Some think that we need bishops so frequently to make the cir
she revolted; then the "Lone Star" but we have sprung into giant proportions, while in years we are but attended by upwards of 2,000,000 ish the treasuries of the Church. As an infant in the lap of time. Blind people. They assemble in halls, the o more than we now have, and would cuit of the world. It requires a great was admitted into the Union. The indeed must those be who cannot see atres, circuses, in the open air, in the have variety, the question is constant-

> drew multitudes to hear them, but with "religious" duties. What they "Notwithstanding, every way, they also drew upon themselves the need is the presence of Christian mo-Christ is preached, and I therein fiercest denunciations and the hottest tives, to act in everything for the glory persecution. But, best of all, they of God, and whatever they do, "do it

all men unto Me." 'The Gospel which the apostles preached is revealed in that Book, and we commend it to the perusal of "popular"

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mous. Ministers are men. They It would seem that if Christians beare human, and, of course, tempt- lieve what they teach of the awful peril pews; they are pleased and stimu- alone would prompt deepest concern manded, they will not fill the house. go out after them and entreat them with this example, and stamp upon efforts manded, they will not in the house.

A congregation must be secured to come. We would do this if they were for young women unity and univerpay church expenses. The call of in any physical peril one ten-thousandth many churches, therefore, is for a part as great. If a man's house were on fire, we would not he sitate to use the most effectual means to rescue him. If

agencies of destruction will secure

We cannot make men unworldly by greatly relieved by their colleagues. There are yet others who think there and without those permanent results and the South got the infamous fugi-

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### Miscellaneous.

SUCCESSOR.

BY REV. D. SHERMAN, D. D.

SECOND PAPER. [Published in Zion's HERALD by request of Bos-

2. The retiring pastor should in rare cases, debts for current ex- confession of his fault. penses should not be passed over to 6. As soon as possible after Confer-

he will retire as quietly as may be, should be excluded from the Conferand give place to his successor; if he ence. be unwise, he may make a final dem- 7. Having retired from the charge, onstration to extract the tears of the the next best thing the ex-pastor can (the bishop) "shall not allow any

found sixty probationers reported, but sure to intensify it. In view of these work may be efficiently done. after the most careful inquiry with and similar liabilities, one cannot fail his board, could find only fourteen of to see that, as a general rule, with them in the parish. "Having found many exceptions, of course, the out fourteen names," he adds, "I at retiring preacher should for some once visited them, when to my aston- months keep entirely away. Let ishment I found that some of them things settle. Let old attachments did not know that they were on pro- give place to new ones. Of this rule bation; said that Bro. - might the breaches have been numerous and have spoken to them about joining, glaring. Three weeks after Conferbut that they never gave their consent ence an ex-pastor revisits his old to join, and did not wish to be consid- charge, enters the prayer-meeting, But what was worse, this same

pastor found that many had joined in tea. Of course, an old pastor lying full, not because they cared for the not purpose to attend church after he left. Of the list of members left, one brother preacher found the same deem advisable? The bishop? Unhundred and sixty could not be found immoral lives. Besides, to some his predecessor, before leaving, had he shall deem require it. From sanguine supporters. twenty, whose names remained on the given. Of course, the weeding of ported, at the close of the year, a re-

4. Your successor should be furnished with a visiting directory, with

to smooth the way of your succesto speak it emphatically, warmly. To there. the people was set down to the charge. design to injure the reputation or to trically under the control of fifteen or twenty leading men in his church. therefore must not be heeded.

der, the funeral took place at the church of which Mr. Hirth was a member. The work, which is very popular in Gerduard church was crowded to its utmost; many and was warmly recommended by last. Hardly was the notice of it received, embarrass the work of successors. twenty leading men in his church, therefore must not be heeded.

DUTIES OF A PREACHER TO HIS The officials went to the preacher. to be forgiven. At the same time, and be governed and guided by their He refused to say anything on the such examples recall to our minds behests. When this practical surrenbrethren as giving countenance to the repetition. rumor. The successor was not received. He wondered; until a year deliver up his charge to his suc- and a half later, the ungenerous pascessor entirely unencumbered. Save tor in an hour of self-scrutiny made

the new administration; especially ence the parsonage should be placed at should this course be avoided in those the disposal of the new preacher, cases where the deficit is pretty sure swept and garnished, and free from to be taken out of the salary of the the impedimenta of former campaigns. new incumbent. Some men spend In this some men are very dilatory; half their time in paying the debts having made no preparation before, contracted by their predecessors, not they are in no haste after, Conference. seldom taking a heavy slice of it out They take time to run over to the new of their own salaries. This is a nui- charge, and return to have a pretty sance. It is an unmanly method of extended leave-taking with their the bills of the shirtless, or of levy- not in a situation to hasten matters. ing forced contributions on the most He is a stranger. I have known a man with five children to board three But, above all, the new preacher weeks while his predecessor, with only preachers. It demands what might wants the sympathies and heart of the a wife, very complacently retained appear, at first sight, a very simple people. True, this comes largely by the parsonage. Such a man needs to personal desert. Much, however, be told that he is oblivious of the sim- insertion of the words, "except when can be done to help, or hinder, by the plest proprieties of life; and that retiring pastor. If he be a wise man, if such acts are often repeated, he clause pertaining to the exercise of

Nannies and Betties, who will all, of do, is to stay away. His term has preacher, except when deemed adviscourse, want his photograph and the expired; his work in that place is able, to remain on the same station assurance that the separation from his done; any claim he may have had more than three years successively." dear people is quite intolerable to his has determined, and his successor The reasons assigned for this change warm and motherly nature. To some should be allowed full and undis- are, primarily, men this course may be natural, but it turbed possession. The neglect of 1. The removal of the three is a base and contemptible kind of this rule has been the occasion of no years' limitation is in harmony with little ill-feeling. The worst thing the genius of our Methodism; in har-3. The books and reports relating with some men is, they never get mony with our established policy durto the year preceding should be put in through. Having served their full ing the whole of our history; and is order and placed in the hands of the term, they intend still, for five or ten in the direct line of a stream of tenincoming brother. If he find in the years, to keep a hand on the machine, dency which has been flowing from minutes three hundred members re- and to become a source of annoyance the beginning of our church life. But ported, he should be able to find to all their successors. In case the no limitation except the one of the somewhat more than one hundred and old charge is accessible, the connec- bishop is not in harmony with the fifty in the charge. If a hundred tion is maintained by means of per- genius of Methodism. probationers are given, a quarter of sonal visits of the ex-pastor or mem- 2. The accumulated duties of the pas

that number should be visible in the bers of his family; if too distant for torate imperatively demand, in many opening of the new year. The hasty this, a stream of correspondence is instances, such removal for thoroughway in which these reports are some- kept up with certain families in the ness and efficiency in church work. times made, has been the occasion of society. Everything is reported, and No charge is so large but that, if a much damage to reputation and to the comments are freely made on both preacher be disposed, he can visit the interests of Christ's cause. One sides. If any friction or trouble ex- members twice in the year, and with brother, on coming to his charge, ists, this inter-communication is quite the sub-pastorate of the leaders the 3. Economy of time and labor de-

DANGERS BESETTING METHOD-

BY REV. W. S. JONES.

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tence then will read thus: "He"

4. The relations we sustain to other denominations demand it.

5. The longest and highest efficiency of our ministry demands it.

among them more or less every week. taken into consideration. led waters. A true man will not fail case, the ex-pastor had no business definite extension of term, an induce- an unbending iron rule of man's deceptions. In one case, a brother had our samples are the exceptions; nor In doing this he will subject himself of Providence here intended, is the failed to secure the appointment of a would we believe that such indiscre- frequently to the surrender of his in- voice of the people in the cities. friend to follow him. A stranger to tions are always committed with a dependence, and place himself prac- Here vox populi is vox dei; but in the

when a damaging report concerning We need to exercise large charity He will be bound by the strings the appointee was put in circulation. towards others as we hope ourselves which they will place around him. matter, though he really knew the re- the delicate relations existing between der of a minister's independence enmatter, though he really knew the report was false, and that his silence would be interpreted by the inquiring as beacons of warning against their would be interpreted by the inquiring as beacons of warning against their would be interpreted by the inquiring as beacons of warning against their would be interpreted by the inquiring against their works. This year our weather has beacons of warning against their works. This year our weather has beacons of warning against their works. This year our weather has beacons of warning against their works. This year our weather has beacons of warning against their works. This year our weather has beacons of warning against their works. This year our weather has beacons of warning against their works. by policy rather than by principle, been so delightful that society people Hirth's short religious life was full of swayed by self-interest rather than have been enabled to make many calls Christian love and Christian industry. by an elevated spirit of self-sacrifice during the day, and also to attend half While Dr. Owen told the loveliness of for the good of the church, under the a dozen receptions in the evening. control of his official board — bound the Mexican minister, on the last evenby selfish considerations to study ing preceding Ash Wednesday, was one hearts were touched, and without the their wishes and do their bidding - of the most dazzling and unique ever aid of any revivalist a work was comhe will find himself a degraded and a given in this city. The entire front of menced that is bringing forth fruit to Secondly, the demand made in some disgraced man. For the mainte- the house occupied by Mr. De Zamaco- the glory of God and the good of man. nave for an indefinite extension of nance of a proper independence a radiated through globes of green, red fessed religion, and one hundred and the time in which a minister may limitation should be continued. But, and white, the national colors of our twenty-five have united with the Church. stav at any one charge, if the pre- it will be said, the presiding elders neighboring republic. Above the sec- A large number of these are young men siding bishop shall deem it expedient, and the bishop will prevent this. ond story windows the name "Mexico" is a danger of most ominous portent How will they do it? Is not the pre- appeared in illuminated letters. The and magnitude to the very life of siding elder dependent upon the offi-Methodism. This idea found an cial board for his instructions, and pavement from the door to the carriage good it may do in the future. The young story, which is a very slight avenue for expression in the meeting the bishop upon the presiding elder? step. Three rooms were arranged for men converted seem to have imbibed self, is vivaciously told, its in compelling the enterprising to pay friends. Meantime, the new man is of laymen on the 23d of last March Hence, any supposed attention to this supper tables. Both stairways were Mr. Hirth's desire to be useful and to do in the Simpson Church, Brooklyn.

> wishes of the official boards of the men have been sent elsewhere than they designed because the boards of policy based upon the decision of the majority bow to her mandate! bishop. What that decision is de- In the midst of all this gayety dread

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will inclease the efficiency of our system by giving to it increased flexibilmust apply to the whole, or a majortold that the limitation acts injuri- ity; if it does not, then there must be on Dec. 3, 1876, united with Mt. Zion the Freshman class from Trinity College, ously to the wife and family of the a stationary and unchanged influence, M. E. Church, Rev. W. I. McKenney, bearing the unfamiliar name of Octavius preacher; that it entails unnecessary or a declination of influence. Will pastor. From the first, young Mr. Hirth Perinchief. He won the regards of all pecuniary loss upon the preacher; the majority of the charges be af- took an active part in the church, and who knew him, was much beloved in the ered as probationers. Some said they and as the best testimony he is able to that it imposes upon him a lower so- fected by it? Certainly not, unless was a most faithful and useful Sunday-that it imposes upon him a lower so- fected by it? joined the class to please the pastor, but with the express understanding spent the afternoon among his old fill and enjoy. The substance of a lengthening of the term, or the other man, but soon after, as he had city. with him that they were to remain friends, having made sixty calls. The these reasons is that the Church as a bishop decide that the merits of the saved his salary, he opened a small grothese reasons is that the Church as a bishop decide that the merits of the saved his saven and he could often only during his pastorate, and to be excused from attending class." Of excused from attending class." Of of the excused from attending class." Of the excused from attending class. course, after subtracting the forty-six business he had in another's is more fited (which is, and can be, the life and responsibility, will be benefited (which is, and can be, the life and responsibility, will be benefited (which is, and can be, the life and responsibility, will be benefited (which is, and can be, the life and responsibility, all of his arm dispensing charity to the poor somewhat by persons connected with Dr. others were probationers without their consent, not much of the fruits of a great revival was left.

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his predecessor, before leaving, had whom does he gather the circumsecured the pledges of the parties to whom does he gather the circumAt last a barber came forward, showing greatly beloved and sincerely mourned. list, letters of dismissal had been avail themselves, on the proper occasions, of his services. This is, no From the presiding elder. From no increase of efficiency, where is the he had received, on the night of Jan. 7, teresting memorial of his LIFE OF TRIAL of the new man, who as a result restances men wait to be invited, but elder get his knowledge? From the plied that certain localities need and brought a scarf picked up near the scare occasionally place themselves in a po- officials of the church, in quarterly demand it. The circumstances are duction of one hundred and fifty in sition to make an invitation natural, conference. It is, then, at the renow so altered that the large cities identified as that of Bedford, the colored the membership. Whether that was if not inevitable. In one charge a quest of the officiary of the church require a pastorate of indefinite boy, who struck the first blow. The a brotherly dealing with a successor, a brotherly dealing with a successor, faction disliked the preacher. That that the man is to be returned — from length. This is the meaning of the kerchief with the stone in it was picked to be returned — from length. faction happened to be the special one to twenty or thirty years. In whole scheme. Whatever may be up on the car-track not far from the friends of the former pastor who was this fact several elements have to be said of the decision of the bishop, the after the murder, a fourth colored boy case is prejudged, and the merits of made confession. The four were comnames of families in the order of the Of course we have no right to assume The officiary of the church are enstreets, and notes of anything needing that he had any sinister motive in tirely made up of men of the preach- promulgers of the scheme before- boy (Johnson) joined the other three, as immediate for special attention, as that he had any similar man any similar mediate for special attention, as the matter; the sad thing was, that er's selection and nomination. He hand. Says Judge Fancher: "In he thought, for the purpose of singing he had no more power to induce his has found it expedient and profitable large villages and cities we are not at a colored church festival; but it seems 5. A good word should be spoken special friends to act decently and to be on good terms with these offiable to compete with other denomination. It is the boy Bedford, while living with these offiable to compete with other denomination. Mr. Hirth, had stolen, and been arrested wisely. In another case a pastor cials, and, retaining their friendship, tions; change of the pastorate is det- on complaint of Mr. H. Bedford swore sor. He may be a stranger, or his found it needful to administer disci- he is sure of a request to return to rimental to the church in the conse- vengeance. He knew Mr. Hirth's habit case not well understood, or the ap- pline. The ex-pastor criticised his them even though the majority of the quent loss of new members; the last of visiting his intended wife every night, pointment not entirely satisfactory to proceeding, and then at the trial be-church should be against it. Fail-year of such a pastorate is unfruitful. and the hour at which he passed the vathe people. A breeze could easily be came counsel for the accused. That ing to retain this friendship, his re- The people are diverted by the exstirred up. At such a critical mo-such a course was injudicious and moval will be requested, even though sitement respecting new candidates. most cond-blooded and democratical models and moval will be requested, even though sitement respecting new candidates. ment, a word from the retiring pastor would be like oil upon the troub- deny. Whatever the merits of the not desire it. Here, then, by this in- tions of Providence, and substitutes full of people; and his testimony is conment is held out to the preacher to vice. You may follow Providence the honor of Methodist preachers, But time would fail to recite all cultivate the good will of his official for three years, but after that, no such utterances are usually made. It the improprieties of weak and un- board, if he is wishful to remain as call or demand of a providential him rest. The three others are now on is sad to know that there are any ex- wise men. We do not forget that long as he may deem it expedient. character can be heeded." The call trial for their lives in our City Hall.

Correspondence.

FROM WASHINGTON. commencement of the Lental season Rev. De La Matyr, M. C., performed the

coat of arms was also represented by sad, but the results are such that men gas jets. Crimson carpet covered the cannot know or calculate the amount of plan is altogether unfeasible, if not trimmed with smilax and feather flow- good. The meetings are still in progers, in brilliant colors, and every variety ress. Many who go cannot find even of orchids was used to produce the standing room, but they carry away with Italy to Baden-Baden, thence to In addition to this, there is a most artistic effects. A ball-room was them the desire to seek and find the Savmarked unwillingness on the part of built on purpose for the fete, and the jour, and to imitate Mr. Hirth in his the presiding elders to oppose the garden was included in the enclosure. Christian work and useful life. L. E. D. On the walls of the ball-room were painted, for the occasion, fine panoramchurches. Instances could be multi-

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pendent upon, we have seen; what The small-pox has been in our midst all entire sanctification, and the work seems | It ends with a happy union of lovi hearts and hands. The Maider Lodge; or, None of Self, and All that decision really has been in many the winter with fatal effect. While the to have but just commenced. We have cases, we know; and what it will be Avenue is thronged with gilded equi- calls from all parts of the South to come in the future it is easy to decide in the pages and gayly-dressed promenaders over and help them, but we cannot relight of previous fact and experience. by day, and the night made brilliant spond. Yesterday afternoon, Brother young, reviving historical periods It will be a compliance with the ex- with decorated houses in which fetes are Inskip and myself held a most delightgiven, and where tripping feet keep time ful service in the Centenary M. E. pressed wish of the board made to merry music, in our by-streets and Church, the new pastor not having yet known by a committee delegated to alleys the poor are dying, and the dark-great freedom, and the large congrega-Conference to wait personally upon ness of night witnesses many a form the bishop to secure their man, or committed to a lonely grave where no here during this week, and then I leave friend stands near to shed a farewell for home. Brother Inskip will remain tear.

The advocates of the change say it | Some four years since, a young man of German descent, Mr. George Philip Hirth, then about 18 years of age, was attracted by the singing at one of the ity, and afford opportunity for the de- street meetings, held under the auvelopment of individual power upon a spices of the Y. M. C. A. He stopped given point. Increased efficiency and joined the assembly. His heart was

that of others, be reversed, both or lived with him. Mr. Hirth said, "Bob, Church in Bridgeport, Pa., where he died. work such a miraculous change in the along and gave the alarm. Mr. Hirth publication of two volumes, one in 1869 The affair was shrouded in mystery.

The authorities offered a reward, but for service. He died in the prime of his of the murder which was eventually cant lot. Johnson's confession shows a most cold-blooded and deliberately-plotfirmed by that of respectable white persons who met him as he ran away from the scene of the crime. At first he was afraid, but his conscience would not let But the most remarkable part of my story still remains to be told. On the burg.

9th of January, two days after the mur-

room. The present pastor, Rev. E. D. Owen, assisted by Rev. W. I. McKenney, lamented author, who died during the former pastor of Mt. Zion Church, and progress, on the 21st of November The days immediately preceding the former pastor of Mt. Zion Church, and Dr. Owen preached the life, and recapitulated the sad death. The fete given by Mr. De Zamacona, of the deceased, the Spirit of God acjust coming into active life.

FROM CHARLESTON, S. C.

plied in which, against the convic- Mexico, with its background of mount- know that we are in the midst of the livered last year, and compre tions of the presiding elders, men have ains and volcanoes; also the illustration greatest revival that Charleston ever been returned to charges; and, on of the four classes in the domestic life knew. Brother Inskip and myself comthe other hand, have not been sent, of Mexico. On the side of the house menced labors in the Trinity M. E. their delivery, especially those because the board, in the first place, all the windows and doors had been reopening to the ball-room and garden, Church, South, of this city, three weeks to the employment of women and have desired it, and, in the second, moved. so that nothing interrupted the less condition spiritually. Never have have opposed it. And the same is beautiful view. The scene was one of I seen a church with so little spiritual too true even of the bishops. Con- enchantment. Aladdin's wonderful lamp life. Not one in five, in a membership long keep in memory these signal trary to their wishes and intention, had been rubbed, and the inhabitants of of four hundred, laid any claim to the Washington were transported to the enjoyment of religion - some said, not warmth and glow of a tropical climate. one in ten. But God has wrought won-The amount spent on this fete would ders. I tried to preach last evening to Sixteen editions of some of some churches have refused the man have taken the Gospel to many thou- a crowd such as was never before known have been issued. that was intended for them; and even sands of heathen minds. It would have in the church, while hundreds went after they were down, and about to furnished food and clothing to thousands away not being able to gain admittance. be read off for a certain place. Yet who are hungry in Mexico, and to thousands who are both hungry and cold in o'clock, but refused to leave. They re- The story is a graphic in the very face of these facts we are our own favored land. What an avari- mained until 10 1-2 o'clock, and even struggles and triumphs of young C

Up to this time there have been not less than one hundred and fifty conver-

tion enjoyed it very much. I remain for some little time longer to press the battle. This is the work needed in the South, and in the North as well.
W. McDonald.

### Our Book Table.

The students who were in the college boarded, and was constantly seeking op-portunities for usefulness, at the colored He had prepared for college at Amenia Seminary under Dr. E. O. Haven. Upon the death of Dr. Olin, he returned again to Trinity. ored boy who struck him had formerly timately became pastor of the Episcopal few well men accomplished so much His very warm friend, Charles Lanman, esq., of Washington, has prepared an in-It is published by Jas, Anglim & Co., Washington, D. C. t makes an octavo of over 400 pages, largely made up of the autobiographical ceased. It is a volume of remarkable awakening much wholesome emotion and

> holy aspiration for a life so consecrated We noticed at some length, a short volume is polemic, its time since, the admirable work of Canon secondary, for the inductions Farrar, following and happily supple- author are easily overthrown. The menting his rich volumes upon the Life ful reader, however, will be for of Christ - THE LIFE AND WORK OF ST. PAUL. This work is not intended to set tions of witchcraft and diabolism forth in such detail the travels of the must determine what he will or wi apostle, and the geographical scenery and historical associations connected with the scenes of his labors, as do Conybeare and Howson, but to present times evil. of the apostle, in the light of which to interpret the wonderful letters which form so important a portion of the New By Franz von Suppé; Pink Waltz Testament. The work has met with a W. Romaine Callender. Vocal—Fo generous reception. Published on thick paper, in large type, the first edition was sion from H. Anderson by Ellis duite expensive. The publishers, E. P. German by F. von Holstein; Dutton & Co., issue a new and complete edition, in one handsome volume, at No. 2, English version by Ellis half the former price. This is sold for \$3.00, in muslin. It is a fine work to Shall I Repine? words by Frederick in bestow as a gift upon a pastor or Sunday-school teacher. Magee has it.

HISTORY OF MATERIALISM, AND CRITI-CISM OF ITS PRESENT IMPORTANCE, by Frederick Albert Lange, late Professor Frederick Albert Lange, late Professor in the Universities of Zürich and Marburg. Translated by Ernest Chester and Gang, words by Will P. Hale, m and Gang, words by Will P. Hale, m by Will S. Hays; Remember, I'm Y Thomas, Trinity College, Oxford. Vol. Friend, by Will S. Hays; Who K

scientific scholars in England, was issue while hundreds went away for want of in its English dress two years ago early portion of its translation undertaken with the concurrence Among almost his last labors He was the son of Dr. J. P. La ommentator and well-known pro work is to be completed in the The present volume France and Germany in the eight materialism, materialism since and its relation to modern ph ect, and enter upon the higher ation of its relation to man an spiritual nature, and to morality gion. There is no work that ully over the whole subject; an it is viewed by one whose sy are not entirely unfriendly to materialistic views, he istorical and biographical

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Victor Rydberg. Translated from the Swedish by A. H. Edgren. New York Henry Holt & Co. This is the third volume of Rydberg's authorship published in this country the present best of the three. It was first iss fame was as vet unwon. A few 'Last Athenian," and a remarkable made in any language, with a num fine poems, fixed Rydberg's name among living writers, and secure admittance to the Swedish Aca Rydberg is a most conscientious w allows himself no liberties with his a tongue, and is the sworn enemy errors of form and style. sessed of rare imaginative pe together with delicacy of disce and breadth of view, and more than such vigor and force that he seem dom to write other than lines th and words that burn. Though em successful in the field of pure lite as in the " Last Athenian," and ing in devising art-theories, as in Days," he still does his best wor. themes involving scientific resear in this volume. Rydberg is deeply in mediæval history, and h noble remonstrance against the ing the necessity for the slow He is an ardent admirer of ev unitarianism against the dual in a certain sense, polemic, thous of magic came to underlie all m life and thought. It is a strang ter in the world's history, and has written it brilliantly 'scientific" standpoint. divided into three parts - the the Church, of Learning, and of of which the second is absorbingly interesting. So far book is a history of the the usages of magic, it is unquestion best available in English, if, indecnot the best treatise upon the manageable proportions, to be any language. every one, whether interested torical studies or not, forms an indispensable suppler such reading, but also in some supplies its lack. But in so far accept, as to the former or preistence of demoniacs; or he will be pelled with the author to disown

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### The Sunday School.

FIRST QUARTER. LESSON XI. March 14. Matt. 7: 15-29.

BY REV. W. O. HOLWAY, U. S. N.

THE FALSE AND THE TRUE.

#### I. Preliminary.

This lesson is closely connected with the ast. The instruction as to the "narrow" and "broad" ways would naturally suggest those who should profess to teach the character of those diverse ways, and exhort to the one thile they warned against the other. Our Lord, therefore, proceeds to put His hearers on their guard against false teachers, who, wearing the garb of truth, would seek to lead

#### II. Introduction.

Our lesson opens with a sharp note of exterior would be fair enough, but who would conceal, under the garb of plety, cruelty and greed-wolves in sheep's clothing. Their "fruits" would reveal their true character. Thorns will not roduce grapes, nor thistles figs. The good tree" will invariably bring forth ducing "evil" fruit. The doom prothey "be hewn down and cast into the Our Lord next uttered a warning and wrought miracles: but this profeshear and do." Like a house built upon hake from its sure foundation, is he of Christ within them. who hears Christ's sayings and translates them into obedience; but, on the other hand, he who hears but never obeys, is fals likened to a structure built upon the sand, which, subjected to the ordeal of the storm, is undermined, toppled over, mediable ruin. The Evangelist closed his record of this wonderful sermon with the statement, that the people were "asscribe had ever dared to assume.

s of the need of this caution. Which ome to you - " more anxious to proselyte and pervert in the church, than to convert in e world; more meddlesome than missionary their activity" (Schaff). In sheep's clothg-wearing the livery, or garb, of those who profess to follow the great Shepherd: assuming to be meek, gentle, pious; claiming athority to speak, and prophesying "smooth ings." Inwardly .- They look like sheep, out are not sheep. Their garb is a disguise. Ravening wolves. - The wolf is the natural memy of the sheep, seeking only its destruc-This metaphor pictures vividly and trongly those "false teachers" who arose mong the Jews during the time of the apostles (see Acts 13: 6), the "grievous wolves" gainst whom Paul warned the Ephesians und an easier way to heaven than the strait and narrow way, or to have learned a newer evelation from the spirit world, or who try to they are

They would come "in sheep's clothing," its, with great appearances of sanctity, and to men's souls; but inwardly they would greedy, fierce, implacable; they would hathings which they ought not, for lucre's and be ready to devour all who opposed. r pernicious principles (Scott).

rue character will be determined by the style of fruit they produce by their teachings and vain; founded on the rock, it stands. Sooner or later they will betray themves, by not exhibiting the "fruits of the Do men gather grapes of thorns? -The thorn and the thistle may bring forth the grape and the fig; but which, nevertheless, s neither grape nor fig; and no man is dezived by it. Only grapes will produce grapes; only figs will produce figs.

The infallible test of all religious teaching is its practical result in the lives of those that receive it. The answer to modern eulogists of Buddhism and Confucianism is India and Chim; the answer to the papal claim of infallibility is Spain and Italy; the answer to the culogists of "pure reason" and a Bible overthrown, is Paris during

tween the tree's nature, or species, and its fruit, the Mount. is fixed and sure in the natural world; and not less fixed and sure is the connection between the heart and the life in the spiritual world. Out of the heart are "the issues of life."

Verse 18. A good tree cannot bring forth, etc.—The impossibility of severing this connection is here strongly emphasized. A right duct and teaching, purity and truthfulness.

to feel confidence in the guidance of the teach-

Verse 19. Every tree - both the "corrupt," or bad, and the fruitless. Is heron down - by the axe of divine judgment. Cast into the fire. Being utterly worthless save for fuel, he is doomed to be consumed.

Verse 20. Wherefore by their fruits - not

by their eloquence, but by the results of their instructions and life - a summing up of the teaching begun in verse 16.

etc. - in words merely; the language of empty the people in them escaped with difficul-- be admitted into the kingdom of grace here, and of glory hereafter. He that doeth the will of My Father - as revealed in His Word, and heavenly kingdom. "This is My beloved Son, warning against false teachers, whose hear ye Him" - hear, in the sense of obey.

It is not being busy in the verbal acknowledgment of Christ as Lord that will prove any one an heir of the kingdom of heaven. It is the practical, the heart and life confession, that God delights in (Mimpriss).

Verse 22. In that day - that appointed day, in the which He will judge the world in righteousness by that Man whom He hath orpreaching, which is the New Testament use of tempests of that day (Thomas). ounced upon all trees which fail to the word; as, for example, in 1 Cor. 13: 2: one without warning (Matt. 24: 36–39), and the peaceable fruits of righteousness" under the divine husbandry, is that cise of the prophetic gift, by Saul and Balaam and Caiaphas, was no evidence of their fitness for the kingdom of heaven. Cast out devits—life was insecure. As the builder would against self-deception: Not those who indicative certainly of the possession of ex- know, or easily might know, the danger erely acknowledge His lordship, will traordinary faith, but not conclusive of their of building on the sand, and yet build admitted to His kingdom, but those being vitally united with Christ. Even faith there for the sake of ease and transient the evince the sincerity of their ac- equal to the removing of mountains is of no convenience, so many, who confess that knowledgment by doing the will of the value disjoined from "charity." We read in it is not safe to build on any other foun-Father in heaven. Many will claim, on Acts 19: 13, that certain vagabond Jews atthe day of final judgment, to have been tempted to cast out demons in the name of Jesus Christ, yet do build otherwise, and the day of final judgment, to have been conspicuous and active in Christ's name — to have preached, "cast out devils,"

Jesus. Done many wonderful works—wrought many miracles; but even these are no certain of trust to a vague hope to escape the day of trial when it comes (Abbott). proof of fitness for the heavenly kingdom. Indeed, the very fact that these persons are represion of outward works, while there is no sented as having asked our Lord if they had narrow, dogmatic, material; it was cold vital union with Christ, will avail noth- not performed these outward and splendid in manner, frivolous in matter, seconding. It will not save them from being acts, in His name, shows how deeply they hand and iterative in its very essence; numbered among "the workers of iniqui- were self-deceived; how vainly they were with no freshness in it, no force, no fire; ty," and sharing their doom. The dis- trusting in their works and overlooking His ourse ended with a prophecy of the grace by which alone they could be saveddifferent destinies which await those just as, now a days, people will give money to who "hear and do not," and those who every good cause, and attend means of grace, ish; at once contemptuous and mean; and be active in all church machinery, in- never passing a hair's-breadth beyond the dulging all the while the complacent but de- carefully-watched boundary of commenhe rock, which the combined fary of the lusive hope that for these they will be saved, tary and precedent; full of balanced inwind, and rain, and flood is powerless to though conscious that they have not the love ference and orthodox hesitancy, and im-

and the fragments swept away in irre-

Verse 20. Then will I profess unto them tonished" at the Speaker's manner, His eth His own sheep by name;" recognizes tone of "authority" being such as no them individually as His own. Depart from me .- See Matt. 25: 31-46, where the separation of the wicked from the righteous is vividly set forth. Ye that work iniquity .- "The Verse 15. Beware of false prophets, - Be continued success of a hypocrite is habitual on your guard against false teachers, who will and heightened iniquity" (Schaff). Whatoffer to direct you to the strait gate and narrow ever is not done out of love to Christ must be done for some selfish or base motive.

> Verse 24. These sayings of mine - all the preceding teachings, which form a connected liscourse, and is known as the "Sermon on the Mount." Doeth them - adopts them as ability to do this must come from the Teacher be self-deceived and rejected. himself. "To rise to the Mount of Beatitudes in our life, we must go to Mount Calvary for our life" (Schaff). Built his house upon a rock - the rock; the foundation which the frequent doods of Palestine could not wash away. In like manner he who would rear the structure of a holy character which will stand securely amid the deluges, and hurricanes and freshets of this earthly life, must seek for his foundation the rock - the Rock of Ages.

In the East the peasants' huts are often un-(Acts 20: 29), and who have had their follow-ers in every age. Whoever pretends to have explain away the plain requirements of the builds his but by one of these water-courses Gospel, should be distrusted. Whatever specious appearances they may assume, they are actuated at heart by ambition, avarice, or some corrupt principle, and are "wolves in the sum of these water courses, which often in the summer weather affords the only herbage which is not burnt up by the sum. If the house is built high up on the rock, it is safe; if down on the sandy soil, though there is no water at the time, the treacherous foundation days away with the first feedback.

the test of the immovable structure, firmly founded upon the Rock. Rain, floods, wind. -It is tried from all quarters, from above, below, around: afflictions may be poured upon Verse 16. Know them by their fruits. - Their it, the enemy may come upon it like a flood, tempests of persecution may assail it - all in

Verse 26. Doeth them not .- Everything turns not upon hearing, but upon doing, the Word. Foolish man-imprudent, heedless, presumptfruit which bears some slight resemblance to uous, perverse. The sand — which experience shows to be unstable, unreliable; worldly prosperity for example, or human opinions, or the maxims of society, or an outward pro-

Revolution, and Paris during the Comdue time that came, and the noise ten,
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The time that came, and the noise ten,
and with it was swept away the toil of years,
the fall of it—illustrated by the
terrible falls of public men from positions of
high trust, because they were so "foolish" as Verse 17. Good tree . . . good fruit; cor- sand of current business morality, and not upt tree . . . evil fruit. — The connection be- upon the immovable maxims of the Sermon on

> Verse 28. The people were astonished at His doctrine. - No wonder; "never man spake like this man;" both as respects matter and manner.

"one," The cause of the people's astonish- the education of so many deserving heart will not produce a depraved life or teach- ment was not so much the simplicity and puri- young men and women of limited means ing; and a corrupt heart will not exemplify, in ty, and gravity, and boldness of the truths Notwithstanding the much-lamented taught, as the tone of authority which pervaded death of Prof. I. O. Chapman, who was The impossibility in the vegetable world typi- all, and which was in striking contrast with identified with the College for thirtyfies a corresponding impossibility in the moral world.

the tone and manner of the scribes. None of the latter class had ever presumed to preface a three years, and vice-president of the latter class had ever presumed to preface a three years, and vice-president of the latter class had ever presumed to preface a three years, and vice-president of the latter class had ever presumed to preface a three years, and vice-president of the latter class had ever presumed to preface a three years, and vice-president of the latter class had ever presumed to preface a three years, and vice-president of the latter class had ever presumed to preface a three years, and vice-president of the latter class had ever presumed to preface a three years, and vice-president of the latter class had ever presumed to preface a three years, and vice-president of the latter class had ever presumed to preface a three years, and vice-president of the latter class had ever presumed to preface a three years, and vice-president of the latter class had ever presumed to preface a three years, and vice-president of the latter class had ever presumed to preface a three years, and vice-president of the latter class had ever presumed to preface a three years, and thr

IV. Gleanings.

1. A sudden but violent storm arose. and loud thunder echoed through the mountains. The brow of the hill whereon their city (Nazareth) was built, was every moment gleaming as the lightning the night we heard loud shricks for help. a general alarm was given. Two houses, built on the sand, were undermined by secure building (Sunday at Nazareth).

2. How miserable the circumstances ih the teachings of His Son. Obedience, not of the man who built upon the sand! if the teachings of His Son. Obedience, not profession merely, entitles to citizenship in the Think of the amount of his loss—all the made to the apparatus and laboratory, money, anxiety and labor which its and the facilities have been increased erection cost him, sacrificed forever! for teaching natural sciences, ancient Think of the time of his loss—the house and modern languages, as well as mathdestroyed just at the period when most ematics. The Music, Art and Business required, in the tempest. Think of the Departments are specialties. Substanirremediableness of his loss—the materials probably borne away by the flood, ure. Subscriptions are being secured and a re-erection impossible. In sublime for the new hall, and other projected adcontrast with this, behold the stately ditions are progressing very hopefully. good fruit; while the corrupt, or bad, dained" (Acts 17: 31). Prophesied in (by) and stable dwelling of the "doer of the The veteran founder, Dr. O. W. Hartstree will betray its unsound, defective Thy name - uttered the messages of God, not Word," up upon the rock yonder. It horn, is as laborious as ever, though benature, in spite of all disguises, by pro- so much in the sense of predicting, as of stands unmoved amidst the severest tween thirty and forty years at its head.

3. So the trial of the last great day will

4. The teaching of the scribes was servile to all authority, opposed to all independence; at once erudite and foolpossible literalism; intricate with legal Great revivals of religion! Surely these ought to save the man! Not if his own heart was false. He may have preached truth enough to save his own soul, and God blessed many who obeyed the truth from his false lips; but he obeyed not the truth he preached. He showed the way to heaven, but went not himself. Among the when new moons and Sabbath-days be-

gan. But the teaching of Jesus was wholly different in its character, and as publicly and fully tell them, at the day of much grander as the temple of the blue udgment. I never knew you. - "He know- heaven under which it was uttered was grander than stifling synagogue or

### V. Questions.

crowded school (Farrar).

- 1. How were "false prophets" described?
- 2. How were they to be discerned? 3. What law in the natural world was cited corresponding with a law in the spiritual world?
- 4. What self-deception was warned against in verse 21?
- 5. State what outward works may be done life principles and turns them into habits. The in the name of Christ, and yet the doer thereof 6. To what are those likened who both hear
  - and do the sayings of Christ? Explain the figure. 7. What was said of those who simply hear.
  - and do not, Christ's sayings? What is meant tively high rates; the low grades are also in very by "sand?"

8. Why were the people "astonished?"

#### INDEPENDENT CATHOLIC MOVE-MENT.

MR. EDITOR: The Boston Daily Herstreams, too, are of a peculiar character. These water-courses, called *wadies*, are, in the summer, perfectly dry; in the rainy season they are swollen streams. The shepherd tion, is rather amusing." Now, the *Her*ald, speaking of the Irish Catholic move- wise shipment, and prices are firm at the advance ment, says: "Worship, in this connecald, in its capacity of a moulder of publowing to the large receipts of live stock in Chicago. lic opinion, exhibits extremely bad taste in sneering at this movement. What is the object, principally? Certainly, to foundation gives away with the first freshet; and these often come with almost no note of warning (Abbott). elevate the Irish Catholics of America so that they may be good citizens law-abiding, educated, moral. Would Verse 25. The rain descended. - Now comes it not be more to the credit of the Herald to take more interest in the move ment, so that it may not be in ignorance of what is being done, and, as a conse- at Wholesale or Retail. Packages weighing to quence, be prevented from misleading pounds or less can be sent through the mail; postto reach the masses, there were not wanting men to say: "This worship is rather amusing." Nevertheless, could HOUGHTON & DUTTON these men see the results of Luther's work, to-day, and of the work of Latimer, Ridley, Wycliffe, Calvin, and hundreds of others (all of whom were subjected to ridicule as well as the more sefession. "Everything besides Christ is vere forms of persecution), I fancy sets, Skirts, Black Silks, Velvets, "amusing" about it. I believe the des tiny of the Irish nation hangs upon the results of this movement. If the Herald would assist to give it the necessary "boom," and help it on to success, it to the culogists of "pure reason" self by not mining down to the rock; but in boom," and help it on to success, it due to the trial came, and the house fell, may by and by see that its remarks,

### Educational.

MT. UNION COLLEGE. The sainted and heroic Bishop Haven. in one of his graphic Western letters pays Mount Union College, Ohio, a high tribute for the grand work it has accom Verse 29. As one having authority. - Omit plished as an instrumentality in securing If there is falseness in the teaching, or in the man, it will seoner or later show itself in his life; and then, even though we judge of the doctrine on other ground, we should cease to speak in his own authority; "no mere man the most successful winter term since has a right to do so."

spring term, which opened Feb. 24, is full of promise of a large attendance. The terms of the college are most hap-

sexes, with limited means, who desire to teach in the winter, and thereby earn The tree that no longer bears fruit for food, or leaves for shade, perishes; the soul that ceases to bear any fruit for God and humanity, is destroyed. There is no restoration. The destruction is final (Abbott).

flashed. The rain fell in torrents; and in the course of an hour flowed past the convent door, along what lately was a dry and quiet street. In the darkness of special winter term for those who do not desire to teach. Tuition is very The flood carried away baskets, logs of low, and there are no extra and inciwood, tables, and fruit stands. At length dental fees, usual at colleges. Board is regulated by the faculty, and ranges from self-boarding at \$1.50 per week up Verse 21. Not every one that saith unto Me, the water, and both fell together, while to \$3.50 for bed, boarding, and including room. The remarkably healthful ty. It was impossible not to pity these location and moral community, easily profession; acknowledging Christ's lordship, but living in indifference to the revealed will of God. Shall enter into the kingdom of heaven same time, to thank God we were in a favorable advantages. This accounts for the presence each year of six to seven hundred students at its halls.

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THURSDAY, MARCH 4, 1880.

Ministers are men with all the human infirmities and susceptibilities to temptation. They are not even proof, without special grace, against the speculative possibilities of the stock and mining exchanges. They hear of men makeconomies. If it could only be multiplied into as many thousands as it now counts tens, what a capital resource in the time of need it would be, and how many daily comforts it might secure! Nearly all these "operations," however are forms of gambling, pure and simple. A large amount of money is sought and expected from the risk of a limited sum. The influence is exactly the same in moral insanity. Their fascination be comes irresistible. When one begins he of his possibilities. And the result is the same. In ninety-nine cases out o an hundred, the inexperienced speculator becomes the victim to the amount of all he possesses, and often of all he can borrow besides. Just at this time Maine is becoming about as crazy as California, with mining speculations. Some of our estimable ministers, we upon the rise of mining stocks. We have no doubt as to the result. It is much easier to prophesy it than the probabilities of the weather. A few men who "lambs." In our day we have seen. with sorrowing hearts, scores of hardworking ministers gathering up their little properties out of savings banks, tate, investing them in "water gas" and any discussion. land companies, paper folding stock, silver mines, oil mines, coal mines, Northern Pacific Railroad, and Western railroads generally; but with only two exceptions, in our knowledge, the same land in some cases a loss of trust funds in addition. Others, men of wealth. may play with movable values, if their consciences do not rebuke them; but in the long run the pastor who saves with safe mortgage, will find himself, in the hour when he needs such a resource, in a much better condition than if he had ventured all for a prize. The blanks are of such forms of business. It would be somewhat of a moral strain to go directly from a mining stock exchange to

During the early portion of last week there seemed to be ominous intimations of a very serious riot in San Francisco. indeed, the law of the State as established by the late Constitutional Convention, are inimical to the Chinese These powers behind the throne have become restive at the delay in executing their orders. Processions of men out quarters have been threatened with fire, and business houses employing these ilance committee, as in the early and lic peace into their own hands, and ad- of preserving the itinerancy. The general government, however, will shore, thus deliberately broken, without interposition. A sober second thought. is beginning to exert its calming influican way of abating a sanitary evil.

ful, every time, in leading the church over which he ministers into a broil in the instance of pious members. Everything must move as he wishes it. tant their services are to the church, or how sincere they are, though perhaps ignorant and prejudiced. The church, constantly berates them, and keeps the church in a state of lively gossip and candal: one party siding with the minister, and another with the uncomfortpreacher is called to edify and nurture the church. His work is constructive not destructive. He is to heal, to train to save, and not to exasperate and then excommunicate. To turn some ministhough they be, is as sure to create paries, divisions and bitterness, as a southeast wind is to bring rain. It nust be that they mistook the call of factory, but not to feed the flock of the Lord Jesus.

#### DISCUSSIONS OF POLITY.

We have no anxiety as to the effect of the frank and thorough discussion of the ecclesiastical polity of the Church, while the debate goes on ans, or from the result of their own without personalities and in a Chris- thought and observation, would preing fortunes by the rapid rise of values. tian temper. There is little probabil- fer the chairman hip of districts to They have a little sum saved by heroic ity, in so large a body, spread over the independent office of unstationed so wide a field, of any immature or superintendent; but, with a remarkaunwise changes. Any variation from ble unanimity, the great body of them. long-established law and usage can only be hoped for after long and careful consideration and an unquestioned those whose fields of service rest demonstration of its importance. Earnest men who see with great distinctness the indications of the hour, both instances. They create a kind of will find their patience often strained to its utmost limit by the vis inertia of the conservative portion of the cannot stop until he reaches the bottom Church, and the apparently dogged resistance of men opposed instinctively to any change. By the discussion of a question light is constantly shed upon it; the whole Church gradually becomes used to the consideration of the prospective alteration in its established order; and when the event oclearn, are tempted to try their fortune curs there is no perceptible shock : the Church enters upon the new régime as if it had been the traditional mode officers as they themselves appoint. from the beginning. This was the form the companies will make all the case when that great revolution in our money, not out of the gold mines, but system was finally consummated, out of the limited pockets of shorn which introduced lay delegation into proposal to complete the movement by inviting lay delegates to the Annuand, by the sale of bonds or of real es- al Conference now hardly awakens

It is well to have the debates of

consideration of the questions before

the assembling of that body, both result has been repeated in every case - that the real wish of the membership the entire loss of all that was invested, may be discovered, and the actual importance or possible perils of an innovation may be developed. It is desirable to have all sides of a measure examined. There is not a religious wise economy, and places his small or political system on the earth that overpluss in the savings bank or in a has not its points of friction, but its balances of excellence may be more than a compensation for its evils. The liability is that unnecessary burtoo numerous, not to speak of the ethics dens may be sanctified by long usage and be perpetuated by unfounded pre sumptions that they are vital elements of success rather than the accumulated barnacles of many years. In the thorough interchange of thought and observation, it is made more distinctly to appear whether or not the sys-The present government of the city, and, tem can preserve its vitality with any change of its modes. There is not a loyal Methodist in the denomination population. The mayor, ex-pastor Kal- who would advise the giving up of ch, and the other magistrates accepted the itinerancy. There are men who their offices, pledged to carry out the be- are not willing to make its incident hests of Kearney and his followers. sacrifices, and they, one by one, drop out into the ranks of our Congregational neighbors. But even these of work have marched through the men, if they gave their honest judgstreets demanding from employers the ments, would deprecate the destruction discharge of Chinese help and the hiring of the Methodist itinerancy. They of American laborers. The Chinese know that in no other way can so many ministers be kept in service, so Oriental workmen, with violence. It has many churches be constantly sup-

A minister may well question his call statute law. Ministers are disposed ness of heaven in the sea, or hears it Holy Scriptures. The realm of spiritleft unsupplied, or are appointed finanwith each other. He may be, indeed, a cial agents of churches, or as city square man." He has no patience missionaries in order to remain longer with human weakness (although not than the allotted term in a given place. hasty run through the vast machinery Everything must move as ne wisnes it.

Those brethren are always right who years in chaplaincies, editorial chairs, the peculiar characteristics and advanmen do not see as he does, they must be additional step to meet these special put down. It matters not how impor- and prudential cases by a well-guardabout to assemble. We much more the varying judgments of so many of the music of Mendelssohn. able brethren. The churches are not minds will hinder any new legislation established for the minister, but the on the subject. It seems to us that it is of much moment that a step, however short it may be, should be taken

in this direction.

elders to their peers in the Annual Providence; they were doubtless called Conferences — begins to assert itself of God to the direction of a railroad or with its wonted earnestness. It is grateful to notice, however, to what a degree the asperities and personalities heretofore attending its discussions are worn away. There are some that hold very radical views in reference to the office, who from the influence of early training as Wesleyfeeling the importance of bringing this officer nearer in sympathy to largely in his hands, have agreed to a very simple proposition. They ask only the privilege of nomination without discussion, leaving the ap pointment in the hands (where it now rests) of the bishop, and giving him a wide margin for choice. Even if, on the whole, as good men might not always be chosen by Conference as could be secured by the untrammeled judgment of a bishop, it is a lesson which has been ingrained into the soul and life of an American, that all men rest more quietly under the magistrates of their own nomination, and submit more patiently to any incident burdens that are controlled by such

There is another very important question that will force itself upon the consideration of the coming General conference, however reluctant they may be to struggle with it. A very considerable number of talented women have entered into the evangelistic work. A few have been licensed by quarterly conferences; a General Conference preluded by the dozen or more have received the tuition of our theological seminaries two or three are now in charge of churches. They are naturally (some of them very modestly, others quite peremptorily) inquiring, What will the Church do with us? They affirm their call to preach, they point to their fruits, and ask to be examined as to their gifts and graces. In some form, probably as an objection to the administration of one or more of the bishops, the question will come squarely before the supreme body, and will demand an authoritative answer. It is important that there should be harmony of action. Some recognition of woman's call and service must be made; how and to what extent this shall be done, will be left to the godly consideration of this large body of wise and conscientious ministers and laymen.

We have not space to refer to other topics now, but may resume this thread of remark at another time.

### SPIRITUAL DISCERNMENT.

It is one of the most familiar facts that the same objects give widely difsteamers, the bright beach or rocky argument may be utterly incompre-

to preach when he finds himself success- to locate, to fill appointments that are with its "eternal motion make a ual things is as much above that of the Congregational Church, assisted in in the Church of Rome, by Rt. Res sound like thunder everlastingly." intellect as that of the intellect is

To some, machinery is utterly be- above the purely material or physical. wildering and incomprehensible. One admiring them.

ed disciplinary law. We have not beauty in the most glorious achieve- man not only admires the Bible; he the slightest fear that too much li- ments of painting, sculpture or archi- loves it; he lives by it; he feeds on he thinks, is better without them; at cense will be secured at the hand of tecture; and for the majority the rol- its truths; it is his guide, his comfort, any rate, he cannot endure them; so he the large and grave legislative body licking choruses of a comic extrav- his refuge. It is as dear to his heart fear that the difficulty of satisfying subtle tenderness and mystic melody pilgrim who has long been absent:

Interest, sympathy and insight are material objects. Certainly, then, opher. they must be necessary to the comprehension of truth or virtue. There With the approach of the session of are men utterly incapable of under- infinite mind. Mystery is one of its question of a century - that of the sentiments the sublime faith and hearts. patience of the martyrs excited in those who beheld them! Some regarded with callous curiosity, as they would view any spectacle; others gloated over the exhibition with fiendish hate; others could see nothing grander than self-will in their superhuman fortitude: others were smitten with awe, though they had not the spiritual qualification for perfect sympathy; some few there were who felt n their own souls the same divine enthusiasm, and who joined to keenest orrow and sympathy for their sufferings deep thanksgivings for the triumphant power of the grace that sus-

Only to the humble and the true the knowledge of truth granted. The eye must be single before the body can be full of light. Spiritual ecret of the Lord is with them that desires Him does God reveal Himself, because only to such can He reveal Himself. Mathematics cannot make tellectual pride is spiritual blindness. Humility of heart is spiritual vision. The meek will He guide in judg-His way."

Every man makes his own image of from the face of God, and shining in tact with the human heart. heart is apt to receive only such as please it, and to reject the others. Hence the many-colored aspects, some nations and individuals. Hence the enterprise. room for each man fashioning a God after his own heart. An evil cononly the softer rays, paints from the hues of his own feelings a God of of majesty and grandeur, beneath and to exhibit God in all His holiness

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may greatly admire the Bible, the ele- Now nothing is wanting but that bap- ive, and tempt the reader to their review without some forms of it himself), even It has long been found necessary to hall of a world's fair would suffice for vation of its morality, the graphic outstation ministers for a number of them. Others would quickly learn lines of its historic scenes and personal a revived state, and conversions have work heartly with him, and others are and educational institutions, and it tages of each invention, and would ings, the wonderful imagery, music lately occurred in their meetings. We all wrong if they differ from him. If certainly cannot be a very perilous find perennial delight in studying and and fire of its poetry; and yet its trust the fullness of time has come to fadeeper meanings may be to him all vor richly our Zion in this town. There are many who see but little unknown. The spiritually quickened aganza have more charm than the as letters from home are to the weary ising day outwardly on account of the and to him much is clear that is foolishness and confusion to the complalike his predecessor, Rev. A. B. Kendig. essential to the comprehension of even cent moralist and the proud philosevening. His evening audiences reach

There will always be mysteries in the Bible, for it is the revelation of an ters loose in a church, able and learned the law-making body, the venerable standing the devotion of a patriot divine credentials. God's thoughts who goes gladly to death for the sake are very deep. Yet at the same time he has drawn a constant and interested relation of the choice of the presiding of his country. To some all philan- most of the difficulties of Scripture crowd to his services. Brother Cass has thropists are fanatics. What varying are owing to the darkness of our

### Editorial Items.

St. Paul's Church, Cincinnati, he introduces between his preliminary services Wednesday, Feb. 25, was a joyful a five minutes' sermon to the children. day to the little band of Methodists in The effect has been very happy in draw-Amherst. Mass. Their beautiful and ing childhood to his services, and acconvenient brick church was dedicated. customing the little ones to the worship in the presence of a crowded audience of the house of God. Last Sabbath was without any indebtedness on the buildmissionary day with Trinity Church. ng, furniture or land, and with a hun-A good collection was taken up, and the dred dollars or more in hand towards whole apportionment will be raised. The the purchase of a bell. Sabbath-school is in a vigorous condition, gathering in adults, young people

About ten years ago regular Method ist preaching was commenced in this charming collegiate town. It has heretofore been chiefly under Congregational influence, with its large church of ness which for years has been an oppress that order, and its flourishing Orthodox ive burden on its growth and comfort college. The Episcopalians, a few years that its current expenses and annual since, erected a fine stone church edifice. and have enjoyed a healthful growth. The few Methodists finding their homes here, longed also for their own familiar religious modes, and saw a wide field of hings are spiritually discerned. "The work for their church among classes not of old Park Street Church. May their reached by the established religious orfear Him." Only to the heart that ganizations, and felt it desirable to have a Sabbath home for the sons of Meth-M. E. churches in the city. Only one odist families who for local reasons pursued their collegiate studies in Amherst. Until within a year the little band met

Him manifest. Science cannot analyze in an uninviting and not favorably situ-Him and catalogue His qualities. In- ated hall, and the growth of the church was far from encouraging. Three years ago, Rev. E. P. King consented to enter upon the pastorship, with small promise of a salary adequate to the necessities ment; and the meek will He teach of his family. He saw at once that there was little hope of growth without a house of worship. To this work, God. "The beautiful rays coming without the slightest encouragement, save what came from above, he addressed himself. The work has been a inquired of one, absent from church, as such leveliness around us, are reflected signal illustration of the divine recognitor to the occasion of it, fearing he was and refracted when they come in con- tion of consecrated labor, unwavering sick; and after we had returned in the faith, and unintermitted prayer. By evening, a member, in a distant portion ways they could not have known un- of the city, inquired in reference to aided, they have been providentially led, Zion's Herald, whose editor was a and constantly the iron door, apparently guest of the pastor. The conversations firmly closed before them, has opened were carried on as easily, and heard as of them hideous in the extreme, in without hands, and they have passed on distinctly, as if the persons were talking which God is presented to different to the consummation of their wonderful together in the same house. Thus they A remarkably tasteful building, with to each. The pastor's home, with his

its attractive tower at its side, with a gentle wife and four pretty children, was commodious vestry and apartments for a delightful pilgrim's rest for the Sabscience, reflecting only the red rays, social and church services, has been bath day to a somewhat overworked calls up a God who delights in blood. erected, at an expense (land included) editor. The man of fine sentiments, reflecting of between seven and eight thousand dollars. At the present prices, the same work could not be secured for less than \$12,000. The main assembly room is mere sensibility, tender as that of the particularly neat and inviting. It is hero of a modern romance. The ceiled and handsomely painted to the published during the session of the Gening" to its clouds. A bountiful re man of glowing imagination will roof. It will comfortably seat four hunarray Him in gorgeous but delusive dred. Over five hundred were present, coloring, and in the flowing drapery by count, at the dedication. The arrangement of the platform, altar, desk and choir, is very convenient and tastewhich, however, there is little or no ful. The church stands on a good site, reality. The observer of laws will upon one of the principal streets, near order, as blank and black as the sun Episcopal church. The whole day of represent Him as the embodiment of the railroad station, just below the looks when we have looked upon him dedication was devoted to religious sertill we are no longer sensible of his and impressive address was delivered brightness. It is seldom in the appre- by Rev. Seth C. Carey, of Whitinsville, hension of mankind that all the rays so upon the relation of wealth to the meet as to give us the pure white light, Church; and Dr. Foss followed it with remarks upon the same theme. In the afternoon, the numerous carriages near and goodness as the fountain of light the church showed the interest that had in whom is no darkness at all." been awakened throughout the vicinity (M'Cosh, "Method of the Divine by the success which had attended this A spiritual preparation is essential brethren of Springfield district, and corps of short-hand reporters on this expression of fraternal affection from to the comprehension of the written and devotional services were conducted others, were present. The preliminary ferent impressions to different people. Word of God. A degree of enlight- by Dr. D. H. Ela, presiding elder, Rev. A child beholds the ocean - its danc- enment or sympathy is required for Brothers Matthews, Manson, Johnson, ing billows capped with foam, the the understanding of any composition. Ferguson, Bolingbroke, and by Dr. sails of ships, the long low hulls of A most elaborate and convincing legal Field, pastor of the College Church. Dr. C. D. Foss preached the sermon. founded upon Acts 5: 32: " And we are precipices against which breakers hensible to a man who has superior His witnesses of these things, and so is New York, issues his cheap but well. March number, Judge Jere. S. Black dash; but how different his im- qualifications as an art critic. The the Holy Ghost." The theme was the printed American editions of the Con- comes down upon the Senator with his been understood that the better class plied with pastors, or such vigorous pressions from those of the sailor pages of the most eloquent and experimental test of the truth and su-temporary and Fortnightly Reviews and sledge-hammer logic and rhetoric. of citizens, indignant at this interfer- and rapid aggressive work be per- who has seen it under every sky and dramatic of historians are compar- pernatural character of the religion of the Nineteenth Century. 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The preparation for illustrated, and enforced with great opens with Legislation and the Drink vigorous argument upon the other sides. W. Stongard opens with Legislation and the Drink vigorous argument upon the other sides. lawless days of San Francisco, and term restrictions, are as pronounced been only a plaything in the hands of the understanding of the Word of power and unction. Before the special Traffic, by Professor Jevons; the Pedi. D. A. Wells makes a characteristic would take the preservation of the pub- in their advocacy of the importance the hurricane, who has seen the sun God must be spiritual. Naturally dedicatory services, the pastor, Brother gree of Man, by Dr. Radcliffe; Agriday after day rise out of the deep and we are without spiritual discernment. King, gave a short history of the enter- cultural Prospects in England, Canada, income tax. Dr. Bellows has an able at minister quick and severe justice by a self-constituted and peremptory court.

The protracted discussion on this sink into the deep again at each day's The carnal mind has no sympathy with prise, and the sources from the chief constituted and peremptory court.

Mass., to whom our readers were recent-

ly indebted for the verbatim report of

brethren have had much short-hand ex-

perience, and promise good work.

by a choir, whose fine melodies added ghanistan; Archibald Forbes upon Lord cheap edition of Milman's Gibbon's De-Hyacinthe upon Paganism in Paris; A. only forty cents a volume. One mol

the services. The sermon was preached Monsignor Capel, and a paper by Re by the editor of this paper. At its close Hon. W. E. Gladstone upon Free Trade another generous subscription was Railways and the Growth of Commercial The cultured, but unspiritual, man taken towards the purchase of a bell. Many of these papers are very suggest nestly sought during the day. The lude hereafter church, which numbers about fifty, is in

> Rev. L. P. Cushman writes in a n vate note from Houston, Texas, F. 20:-"I am here, and while here

the work of the position, and

environed with difficulties.

It was a great pleasure to worship last

Sabbath with Trinity M. E. Church, Wor-

cester. It is delightful to find its gener-

ous proportions filled with permanent

congregations. It was a very unprom-

storm and the disagreeable walking, but

the audiences were large. The excellent

and popular pastor, Rev. John A. Cass,

preaches twice on the Sabbath, having a

prayer-meeting at an earlier hour in the

the full capacity of the house, which has

seats for fourteen hundred persons. In a

series of discourses to young people and

upon practical and evangelistic topics.

a pleasant device for securing the at-

tendance of the children upon his preach-

ing and for interesting and profiting

them. Like Dr. M. C. Briggs, who fol-

lowed the same course when pastor of

and the children, and reaching the large

number of five hundred. The church

has so far reduced the large indebted-

charities are readily met. A new and

gracious era is evidently opening before

this mother church of Worcester Meth-

odism. It is the residuary legatee of the

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ized! We hear good reports of all the

change in its pulpits is expected for the

Pastor Cass has a novel modern im

however, as the introduction of water

and gas. He has a telephone which con-

nects him with the central railroad sta-

tion, the telegraph office, his physician,

grocer, baker, several of his official and

a considerable number of other members

of his church. He had a number of con-

ferences during the Sabbath with mem-

bers of his board living at a distance

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coming year.

the hostility of the old planter; the dense ignorance of the people whom and for whom we labor nothing of the ostracism. In care but little about that, and car t as long as they can. Our great s churches, and churches we must Our friends in the North must be have a special case: In 1875, there colony of colored people organ Fort Bend County. There is now colony over one hundred fam they have no church. Last Con Bishop Merrill sent them a r Sunday, Feb. 15, I spent with Sabbath morning the school gathered on the galler brother's house. The school n 58. I preached in a log-house and not over 6 1-2 feet high, or a church of fifteen members, ceived eight on probation. Motrustees secured one of the be the colony for a church and parand we have a good deed to the Now we must have the church propose to build one 25% help to accomplish it. We thus far erected six churches and six day schools in places where the dren were almost as wild as to do that no other Church can do "Thus far I have not seen a sick am just home from Fort Bend Co

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was gone eleven days, traveled two hundred miles, preached thirt times, attended three quarterly con ences, administered the Lord's Su times, baptized eight, rece four into the church, and attende ove-feast. Let me give you one stanza so-called hymn I hear occasion

Halleluish, love and serve the Lord : Hallelujah, love and praise the Lord Fight and scratch, dog and cats, ust as Jesus made us lujah, love and serve the Lord.' There is another I like much better:

'I have been in a meeting to-night. I have been in a meeting to-night. I have been in a meeting to-night And yonder comes my Saviour: I know Him by His garments

All dyed in crims The second stanza, three lines like the largest expectations be more than real- first, -'And vonder comes my sister.

I know her by her garments All washed in crimson blo

And so they pass through the entire "But, my dear brother, please do n provement connected with his pleasant forget us, and urge your readers to be parsonage. It will soon be as common, is in our extremity.

The evening of Feb. 23 was an occ sion of special interest to the Winthro Street M. E. Church, at the Highland A large company, numbering three hun dred or more, assembled in the spacio estry of that church. It was a flatte ng compliment to the popular pastor the society, that so many had assemble to celebrate his "silver wedding." McKeown never appeared to better: with his estimable wife, surro with his beautiful family, receiving congratulations of his many frie Rev. Wm. Kellen, who was one of officiating clergymen at the weddi twenty-five years ago, made the gratulatory speech of the evening. was very appropriate and interesting After literary and musical exercise Mr. Barnes performed the part assign him in a happy and unique man which was the presentation to Mr. Mrs. Dr. McKeown of silver ware the generous sum of 349 silver dol The following have been engaged as This was an unmistakable indicated the staff of official short-hand reporters that there are bright spots in an iti for the Daily Christian Advocate, to be erant's life - at any rate, a "silve N. Y. Conference; Rev. Wm. D. Bridge. tables were loaded with all the d cies of the season, and beautifully N. E. Conference; Rev. C. G. Hudson, Indiana Conference; Rev. G. G. Baker, orated with flowers. Great credit Baltimore Conference. Rev. G. G. Baker to Mrs. Cunningham and Mrs. is well known to many of our readers Green, not only for their unwear as one of the sons of the late Rev. forts in arranging for such a pl Charles Baker of the N. E. Conference, gathering, but for their generoance one of the churches in the city of pense of the sumptuous banquet. Baltimore. Rev. Alex M'Lean has been egations were present from East the official stenographer of the Book ton, Cambridge, Auburndale, Fall R Concern for many years, a very accept- Newton and Newton Lower Falls. able reporter of the recent General Con- gratulatory letters were receive ferences, and is at present the pastor of Hon. Amos F. Breed, Lynn, Dr. 1 the M. E. Church in Yonkers, New York. editor of Zion's Herald, Rev. E He is also well known as an active mem- King, D. D., Boston Highlands, Mr. ber of the National Association for the F. Gove, Jacksonville, Fla., Mrs. Promotion of Holiness. Rev. C. G. Falcot, Hartford, Conn., and Hudson is pastor of the M. E. Church in We most heartily congratulate Dr. Angola, Ind. The fourth member of the Keown and his family in this sin staff is Rev. W. D. Bridge, of Gardner, large a number of friends.

The North American gives its page Bishop Haven's funeral services. These freely to the practical discussions of the hour. In the February number, & Senator Howe had a strong paper answer to the objections urged against George Munro, 17 Vandewater Street | a third term in the presidency. In the

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sponse. Already a number of our min-of moral training in our schools. isters have sent in lists of new names. Let the offer be made known by the pastors to their people, and many others will subscribe. It should be borne in mind that the General Conference will assemble the first of May, to continue its session four weeks or more, and a full report of the proceedings will be published in the HERALD. It will be a Methodist will be eager to know what is said and done at this quadrennial Conference of the M. E. Church.

Jameson & Morse, of Chicago, 164 number of a new quarterly to be entitled. The Oriental and Biblical Journal. It is edited by Rev. Stephen D. Peet, Clinton, Wisconsin. The present number has with handsome type. It has an attract- meetings are large and full of interest. ive table of contents, opening with an interesting article upon "Late Palestinian Explorations," by Dr. Selah Mer- among the sailors is specially promising. rill. The editor has an elaborate paper variety of short miscellany is interspersed. It has an illustrated frontispiece. \$2.00 a year.

by Mary Sparks Wheeler, of Columbia, & Hunt, New York, is a very neat, papercovered volume, presenting a clear, condensed discussion of the latest forms of ence. The work of Mrs. Wheeler is last year. praised by Bishop Peck and Dr. | Somerville, Union Square. - Messrs. H. M ity of reasoning.

Hatch, the devoted secretary for many very full and encouraging report of the an excellent sermon. service, preaching to a good congregation in the Bethel on the Sabbath, distributing Bibles, tracts, and wholesome literature, visiting the sick and poor, and making himself a father to homeless sailors. He is a rare man for the place. pious, sweet-hearted and full of faith and good works.

The American Board for Foreign Missions has issued a fine map of Central and Southern Africa for the walls of our cheap, 75 cents on thick, strong paper, silver ware from the ladies. and \$1.25 on cloth : it is finely executed. with the names of important localities in 14, No 1 Somerset Street, Boston.

Rev. Rufus Wendell of Albany proposes to issue, at an early date after its completion, the Bible Student's Revised New Testament. He will publish the June next. revised work as it comes from the hands as to show every alteration to the eye, excluded words of the present text. If executed as the publisher is abundantly erected at a cost of \$7,000, was dedicated free able to do it, the volume will be one of of debt on Wednesday of last week. Rev. of the New Testament.

A. Williams & Co. publish a stout oc-

Edinburgh, British, and Westminster. The four Reviews can be had for \$12: each one \$4. They also publish month-Blackwood, \$15.

The late discussion in Cambridgeport Edgartown. between Rev. J. P. Bland and Rev. John O'Brien upon the " Catholic Church in its Relation to Civil and Religious Liberty," Rev. A. Canoll lectured to a good audience Five have been received on probation, and has been published in pamphlet form in Masonic Hall on "Music." In the elab- three were baptized recently. This charge from the columns of the Boston Herald. oration of his subject the speaker traced the will give the appointing power no trouble this For sale by the New England News Co., gradual development of music from the ear- year. 14-20 Franklin Street.

The third number of the very cheap est praise. issues of the Humboldt Library is, Physics and Politics, by Walter Bagehot; 29 Williams & Co., Boston.

George H. Ellis, 101 Milk Street, publishes the excellent address upon AmeriThe event shows the appreciation of the publishes the excellent address upon American Education, delivered, as a Thanks- lic for the pastor and his work, sincethe kind | year with them.

The offer of Zion's Herald the re- giving sermon, by Rev. William Everett, donors of the programme are not members of Marston's Mills and Cotuit Port. - Brother on. At Lavont Village, a union meeting. mainder of the year for one dollar and Ph.D., of Adams Academy, Quincy. He our church or society. fifty cents, meets with a favorable re- heartly believes in, and enforces, the New England idea of the supreme importance

## Notes from the Churches.

#### MASSACHUSETTS. NEW ENGLAND CONFERENCE.

Boston Preachers' Meeting. - A commun cation was received from Bishop Wiley and others, in behalf of raising funds to meet the pledge of Bishop Haven towards the erection session of special interest, and every of Chrisman Hall at Atlanta, Ga., to endow a The essay by Rev. H. Lummis is made the order of the day for three weeks.

East Boston, Saratoga Street. - Penitents are at the altar every Sunday evening, and a forty-eight pages, printed on fine paper is in excellent religious condition, and the

Meridian Street, - Seven new cases of seek

Boston, Winthrop Street. - The twenty upon the sources of information as to fifth anniversary of the pastor's marriage the prehistoric condition of America. drew out a large gathering of the people, who Many short and well-selected articles presented Dr.McKeown with over three hundred ber have professed conversion. There have friends, presented him with a well-filled purse, lengthily but very ably discussed by Brothers have been copied from the leading mag- silver dollars, with their best wishes and azines upon oriental subjects, and a good hopes that he may yet celebrate his golden wedding. Souls are being converted. A tized. No ambitious candidate need look the society, that it was their unanimous wish ment is necessary. Brother G. W. Hudson number were baptized last Sunday.

Charlestown, Trinity. - Hon, Liverus Hull in behalf of the society, last week presented Rev. A. A. Wright with an elegant gold " Modern Cosmogony and the Bible," watch. Brother Wright has enjoyed a very prosperous term in this charge, and will be very attractive and laborious field for his successor.

Charlestown. - Dr. Butler preached in the reconciling the sacred record of the cre- afternoon and evening at our churches there, ation with modern developments of sci- and the collections are largely in excess of

Whedon, and will also commend itself Moore, George H. Shaw and C J. Littlefield to the intelligent Christian student of spent last Sabbath holding four crowded serthe sacred Scriptures. It shows quite a vices, with a preliminary Saturday night familiarity with the literature of the meeting. The church was in admirable consubject, and much strength and vivac- dition to co-operate. From thirty to forty penitents are reported.

West Somerville. - A lot for the chapel has been purchased and paid for. From twenty The New Bedford Port Society has to thirty are interested in religion. Baptisms reached its semi-centennial. Mrs. A. G. and receptions will occur on Sunday next. Lynn, South Street. - Dr. Butler spent the years, presented at the late meeting a morning with these brethren, and preached

Ladies' Branch of the Society for the Holliston. - Union meetings have been held past year. The excellent chaplain, Rev. since the new year commenced, with consid-J. D. Butler, makes his fourteenth suc- erable interest among the young people. The cessive report of Christian work and its pastor concluded a series of six interesting results. He has been indefatigable in sermons for the young people, from Isaiah 12, last Sabbath .-

Waltham. - Last Sabbath eight or ten penitents were at the altar. The recent fair was very pleasant, netting \$275.

Hudson. - The pastor, Rev. W. W. Colburn, by invitation of L. P. Jefts, esq., acompanies him this week on a trip to Florida ject. The little Sunday-school is improving. and Cuba. He hopes to return by April 1. He bantized three last Sabbath.

Bufield. - The revival of last fall is still powerfully felt. Meetings are large and inthan ever. Recently the pastor's wife, Mrs. vestries. It is large, 6 x 5 feet; it is W. A. Nottage, received a present of valuable lack of able and every-way worthy men. Not is moving the hearts of the people to seek the same time. It eradicates scrofula, vitalizes and every-way worthy men. Not I is moving the hearts of the people to seek the same time. It eradicates scrofula, vitalizes and every-way worthy men. Not I is moving the hearts of the people to seek the same time. It eradicates scrofula, vitalizes and every-way worthy men. Not I is moving the hearts of the people to seek the same time. It eradicates scrofula, vitalizes and every-way worthy men.

Springfield, Grace Church. - The district preachers' meeting was a very interesting very conspicuous letters. It covers gathering. It was reported that ten or twelve what is to be the scene of special inter- churches had received twenty or more probaest in missionary labor for the coming tioners each. Brother Gordon, in a strong years, and will afford an excellent illus- essay, argued that ecumenical Methodism was tration of the missionary speeches that not desirable or practicable. Dr. Steele's esought to be made in reference to the say upon the relation of children to the claims of this great and populous land more Christian benevalence and sympa. Christian benevalence and sympa. upon Christian benevolence and sympaessays from Brothers A. Gould and D. S. thy. For sale by C. N. Chapin, Room Coles upon the doctrinal education of our essays from Brothers A. Gold and D. S.
Coles upon the doctrinal education of our people were presented. The sermon by Brother J. Neal upon "Divine Agencies in to the charge. There is a union parish in this and a music stool; from the friends of Mrs.

gant set of pulpit furniture and a Bible; from the friends of Miss Jennie McFarland, the chairs for the choir and altar, side lamps, and a music stool; from the friends of Mrs. people were presented. The sermon by the Church," was catholic and clear, and village, the pulpit of which must be supplied Abden Keen and Miss Martha Muzzy, a very showed the variety and unity of God's great by a Baptist, Methodist or Congregationalist. handsome chandelier; all of which favors are work. A two days' preachers' institute was When supplied by a Methodist, it is made a highly appreciated, and while serving as Dear Sires! It is now only three months size provided for at Northampton camp-ground in separate charge, when by another, the class pleasant reminders of the absent, they call

of the International Committee, so marked his genial Christian spirit, his good sermons, and his many labors. He was deservingly and will preserve in foot-notes all the remembered with a donation on Wednesday, Feb. 18.

much usefulness and profit to students Dr. C. D. Foss, President of Wesleyan University, preached in the afternoon, and Rev Dr. B. K. Peirce, in the evening.

Leyden. - A very enjoyable occasion oc tavo tract upon "Free Trade in Money Buddington, esq., Feb. 17, commemorative of ing well in all respects. Two have joined the curred at the hospitable home of Jonathan with letters from leading writers upon oldest of these, Mr. Zadok King, is in his 84th another year. the same topic, and an Introduction, by year. The occasion was of no ordinary inter-

ities a rich treat. W.

dience. A part of the lecture was illustrated interest and importance. Its future is as by drawings executed by Mr. A. S. Coffin, of hopeful as its past has been prosperous.

liest account we have concerning it in history | Osterville and Centreville. - Osterville

quarto pages for 15 cents. The work is sires to return thanks to Mrs. Julia G. Stick-cently—the first for a number of years. The published by J. Fitzgerald & Co., 294 ney, of Groveland, for the excellent entertain-Broadway, N. Y., and is for sale by A. new given Feb. 23, for the benefit of their passes which has grown quite rapidly. There

and the Ladies society have purchased a line although he has already passed threescore and from 1 Thess. 2: 19, 20. Tuesday morning paid for, and the other expenses of the church ten years! have been well met.

NEW BEDFORD DISTRICT (Prov. Conf.). South Carver. - This small charge has been seriously crippled by the burning of the shoe- in the Methodist Church at Cape Elizabeth whom were prepared to fill the places assigned professorship in the institution, and for a string factory, which is not to be rebuilt. Sev. Depot. Rev. Brother Murphy has only lay suitable monument. It was referred to an eral of the official and best paying members of helpers to assist him. Twelve were forward able committee. The series of resolutions the church were employed there. These are at the altar last Sabbath evening.

dark for this little band of disciples. Myricksville. - Brother Farnsworth, with of faith and the Holy Ghost. deep revival feeling prevails. The church the aid of his devoted wife, has done the full There is a healthy religious interest in all work of a pastor here, although he has been the Methodist churches in Portland, persons Sunday-school Literature," was thoroughly the opening of the school year. There has Sister Ladd is seriously ill. ers last Sunday night are reported. The work been a general, but not very marked, improvement in the church this year.

is moving steadily on. Some extra meetings but during the entertainment, Amos L. Allen, have been held with excellent results. A num- esq., in behalf of the pastor's numerous siding Elders and Pastors," was somewhat been receptions of members, both from proba- as a slight token of their love and apprecia- C. E. Libby and S. L. Hanscom, both essay tion and by letter, and some have been baption, assuring Brother Bradlee, in behalf of ists taking strong ground that some improved not in the least ajar.

West Sandwich. - Brother McCord and his a great success. people are having good times. Within a few weeks some backsliders have been reclaimed, of our most honored ministers, have been W. H. Williams. Brother D. H. Sawyer and there have been eight conversions. The temporarily laid aside from work on account gave us some excellent thoughts on "Pulpit Pennsylvania, published by Phillips parted with very regretfully this spring. Sunday-school has taken some decided steps of illness, but we hope for both many more Preparation." The papers presented gave The large and flourishing church will afford a forward during the last quarter. The attend- years of successful labor. ance is larger, the teachers are more punctual. and the general interest much greater than a church financially and spiritually. The old G. W. Hudson addressed a good audience of ment of the lessons is credited with a good share of this improvement. In reviewing the lesson on a recent Sunday, the pastor asked, 'What is repentance?" A little chap replied, "To be sorry for your sins, leave off sinning, and get away from them as quick as you can.' The Dean of our School of Theology can hard-

> Barnstable and Yarmouthport. - The little church at Barnstable has lost its most liberal upporter. Hon, Nathan Crocker died a few weeks since, leaving a place in that congrega tion and in the community which will not be easily filled. The Sabbath congregations are now larger than for years before, and it is hoped that the financial, and in some measure at least, the social, loss in the death of Mr. Crocker will be made up by the new attendants upon the services. At Yarmouthport an aged and devoted sister, who through the kindness of wealthy friends has been able to do far more than any other one for the financial support there, is now very feeble. One of the aged rethren, also, is dangerously ill. To huma view the future is dark. The church is badly located. If the services could be moved to the west end of the village, many people, now dis tant from any church, would be accommodated. Attention is to be given to this sub- made glad by seeing many turning unto the

General Conference matters are receiving ly among the laymen. Hitherto all the lay delegates from this Conference have been from prayers, Sunday evening, Feb. 22. Brothers only East Weymouth, but County Street, New Lord. Bedford, and Middleboro' have each a man whom their brethren would like to see elected. Other charges will doubtless make nominations before the 9th of April. The pastors are moval of the restriction, or extension of the term of pastoral service; Conference boundaries - these are the principal themes discussed, and minds are many among these

"Independent" Congregationalist, who is great temple above. making the second attempt to form a sort of mongrel church of the different denominations there. This is certainly an unwise measure. It is but a few years since another zealous there. That has tumbled to pieces, and the pastor, and he is spoken of as an able speaker. new conglomerate is no more cohesive. A church which belongs to no denomination thirteen into full connection and baptized six, usually amounts to nothing. The Methodists Feb. 22.

have declined to join the new organization. Vineyard Haven .- The church here is do-

Chilmark. - Substantial progress is the or-

American editions of the great English week of Rev. F. W. Holland upon "Pales- fered somewhat from the inability of Brother the couple one hundred dollars in money and recovered now, and the work is going on well. The Sunday-school has been reorganized, with Edgartown. - Rev. J. D. King delivered the pastor for superintendent, and there has ly that veteran magazine, Blackwood, for his lecture on "Egypt Three Thousand Years been quite an increase in the average attend-\$4 a year. The four Reviews and Ago," in the M. E. Church, on a recent Sun- ance. This society has a large number of in-

> well pleased with each other, and all is going Provincetown. - On the 5th of February, well. The religious interest is very good.

to the present time. The Provincetown Advo- was, until a few years since, a flourishing litcate speaks of the lecture in terms of the high- tle charge. Deaths, removals and some other incidents have crippled them, yet they are holding on with good heart. Three persons Groveland. - The church in this place de- have been received in full from probation, retor. The original poems of Mrs. S. were well has been quite a revival there within a few rendered and received. The select singing, weeks. Ten recent converts have been realso, of Mrs. C. Dustin Hunking, of Haverhill, ceived on probation. Next year the pastor

B. Fish is closing the third year of his second under the direction of Revs. F. A. Bragdon, term with this people very pleasantly. Peace Brown and Higgins, and Mr. Starbird, is now Newton Lower Falls. - There is a good re- and good fellowship prevail, and the financial in progress. ligious interest on this charge. Several have condition is much better than last year. Not been converted, while others are feeling deeply. one of the society at Marston's Mills has died The place of worship is filled at both preach-during the last three years. The venerable ing services on the Sabbath, while all the other Rev. Philo Hawkes, of this Conference, has services are well sustained. During the past bought a pleasant home in this place, to which Feb. 16-18. Monday evening, Rev. A. six months a parsonage has been furnished, he will move in the spring and there spend the Church, of Camden, preached an excellent and the Ladies' Society have purchased a fine remainder of his days. May they be many,

MAINE. An interesting revival interest is in progress

made the order of the day were discussed by now leaving for East Braintree, where the busi- Rev. C. Munger and people on Kent's Hill and con by Brothers A. J. Clifford and M. Drs. Clark and Sherman. Rev. C. N. Smith, ness is to be re-established. Although at quite charge have been sharing in a precious out-Drs. Crowell and Thayer were requested to a distance away, they will, doubtless, unite pouring of the Spirit at Readfield Corner. Jameson & Morse, of Chicago, 104
Speak on the same subject next Monday.

Clark St., issue, in a neat form, the first
The assay by Rev. H. Lummis is made the church at South Braintree. There About forty have already been converted, has been some improvement in the religious among whom are many heads of families. interest this winter, but the future is rather Sister M. J. Clark, of New Jersey, has been assisting Brother Munger. She is a woman

connected with the School of Theology since rising for prayers in almost every meeting.

agent in the church this year.

Middleboro'.—This vigorous young church last Tuesday evening ostensibly for a sociable, had any idea was contained therein. "Imtowards Middleboro' this year. The door is for the pastor's return the third year. Bro. read an excellent "Review of the Second B.'s pastorate at Alfred has been in every way Coming of Christ" by Bishop Merrill. Ar

At North Pownal the Lord is prospering the few months since. The new Berean arrange- church has been repaired and very much improved, and, best of all, the necessary funds for the repairs have been secured. Since the D. D., of the N. E. Conference, preached reopening (God always honors a people's sac- missionary sermon of great power from Matt rifice), Bro. Marshall, the pastor, has been 28: 18-20. In the evening very earnest and made glad in seeing several come forward to stirring missionary addresses were deliverethe altar seeking Christ, and the songs of the by Presiding Elder J. W. Day and Dr. Clark newly saved have been heard in the rejuvenated house

The Portland Methodist Social Union met with the Peak's Island Church last Tuesday evening, and were most sumptuously entertained by the generous people of the Island. The limited room and the rush of guests pre- Clark for the pleasure and profit afforded by cluded a discussion of the topic, but it will be assigned for the next meeting, to be held as Congress St., Portland, March 22.

The new Methodist church at Lisbon is t be dedicated March 19. The sermons on the occasion are to be delivered by Revs. C. J. Clark and R. L. Green.

### EAST MAINE.

ROCKLAND DISTRICT.

Waldoboro'. - This charge is enjoying mighty outpouring of the Holy Spirit, and the heart of the pastor, Brother C. L. Haskell, is Lord. Over forty have been saved.

Boothbay. - Brother Wentworth is having considerable attention on this district, especial- encouragement. About twenty-five have

Searsmont. - During the past six months this church has been remodeled and thoroughly repaired from foundation to spire. manifestly concerned about measures rather than men. How many new bishops, and who; with the expenditure of about one thousand The pastor and people labored unitedly, and modifications of the presiding eldership; redollars we have a very pleasant house in which to worship. Many of the citizens dowhich to worship. Many of the citizens do-nated liberally; also from non-resident mem-bers of the Muzzy family was received an ele-using Warner's Safe Bitters on my recommenda gant set of pulpit furniture and a Bible; from tion. She feels very grateful for the benefit sh provided for at Northampton camp-ground in June next.

June next.

Conveay. — Brother Matthews wins with

Conveay. — Convergetionalist who is C.

BANGOR DISTRICT.

"Independent" formed a "Union" church tled Rev. Mr. Stewart, of Lawrence, Mass., as Hampden. - Rev. C. A. Southard received

The fiftieth anniversary of Rev. C. L. Browning's marriage to Miss Sibella Reed was in celebrated at Hampden, last Tuesday, by a officiated, assisted by Rev. C. E. Springer of Winterport. The auditorium of the Methodist Nahum Capen, LL. D., fourth edition. est, and will long be cherished and serve to der on this charge. Class-meetings are look- church was richly and tastefully decorated for This pamphlet gives the strongest form lighten and brighten advancing years. Fa- ing up, and the finances are in as favorable a the occasion, and a bountiful repast was served Ins pamphlet gives the strongest form of the argument in favor of restricting, by stringent usury laws, the annual income of money. The whole history, philosophy and ethics of usury are here amply discussed.

Ighten and brighten advancing years. Falling the Buddington has long been one of the foremost men in Franklin County.

Gardner.—The too heavy roof or too light walls of the church require the introduction of rods to prevent farther spreading. The support of roof or pastor must stand firm, or the danger of a fall will be imminent. Let both everywhere be strongly braced!

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Barclay St., have issued their fac-simile American editions of the great English week of Rev. F. W. Holland mon. "Pales" formed the finances are in as favorable a for onder the finances are in as favorable a for onder the finances are in as favorable a for onder the finances are in as favorable a for onder the finances are in as favorable a for ondition as for some time past, notwithstanding some old bills have been paid this year. The long lines of carriages about the church on Sunday indicate a strong love for the house of God, and a sight of the people reveals a freshness and intelligence which forbid all thoughts of rusticity. They expect Brother Smith to remain with them the third year.

Barclay St., have issued their fac-simile American editions of the great English of the formed the finances are in as favorable a few condition as for some time past, notwithstand-ing some old bills have been paid this year. The too heavy roof or too light walls of the church require the introduction of carriages about the church church in the vestry. Rev. C. A. Southard and his good people certainly deserve much credit for the past was served in the vestry. Rev. C. A Quarterlies for January — the London, tine," gave great satisfaction to the audience. Fuller to do full work, because of the sick-Its frequent repetition would give many localness of himself and his wife. Both seem to be niscences. Letters and poems were read by Revs. C. E. Springer, C. A. Southard, W. W. Marsh, and Mrs. Phillips; speeches were made by Revs. Marsh, Fitz (Congregational), Springer, Townsend and Bolton. Mrs. H. W. day evening, to a large and appreciative au- telligent young people, who add much to its Mayo sung "Guide me, oh Thou Great Jehovah" with good effect; Rev. Mr. Bolton and family sung some select pieces during the West Dennis. - Pastor and people 'are still evening. Mr. Edward Gregory was master of Conference. Place, Time. Bishor

ceremonies. Foxcroft. - Rev. Mr. Blanchard, of the Maine Missionary Society, is holding meetings New England, Boston, with Rev. Mr. Loring (Congregational). Belfast. - Rev. C. P. Lyford is holding

neetings with the pastor of the Methodist church, and the Lord is with them. Bucksport Center. - The pastor and friends are moving on with their new church which is to be built upon a beautiful site about one

mile above the old lot. been converted, and the church greatly quickened. Two were received into full connection,

holding meetings. Some thirty or more have professed conversion, and still the work goes

ROCKLAND DISTRICT MINISTERIAL ASSO

This Association was held at Rockland sermon, full of comfort and practical thought social service, the Association was called to order by the secretary, and Brother I W order by the secretary, and Brother J. W. Day was asked to preside. Fifteen pastors on the district were present, each and all of them. Carefully written and unusually interesting papers were read, as follows: "The Pastor and his Salary," was discussed pro G. Prescott. An excellent paper on, "What shall we Read?" was offered by Brother W Applebee. "The Nature and Importance o the Work of the Pastorate," was in a very impressive manner presented by Brother O. Tyler. "Non-resident Members" were very forcibly presented to us in a practical and sensible paper by Brother G. R. Palmer. discussed in very able papers by Brothers A Church and E. H. Boynton. Brothers George The many friends of Rev. C. W. Bradlee, Pratt and W. B. Eldridge extracted mor provement of the Methods of Appointing Pre

interesting paper on "Extension of the Term Revs. D. B. Randall and J. C. Perry, two of the Pastoral Office," was read by Brother evidence of unusual thoughtfulness and care ful preparation. Tuesday evening, Brother Wednesday afternoon, Rev. W. R. Clark

the former showing the demands of the hou as related to domestic missions, the latter pre senting with wonderful distinctness and im pressiveness the present aspect and the duty o the Church towards our foreign missions The Association expressed their thanks to Dr. his presence.

The next meeting of the Association will be held at East Vassalboro' in October. A. J. CLIFFORD, Sec.

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New York, March 31, Wiley, st, Brooklyn, "31, Bowman. Burlington, "31, Peck. New York. New York East, Brooklyn, Troy, " 31, Andrews. Providence, Norwich, April 7, Bowman.
New Hampshire, Great Falls, "8, Andrews,
Vermont, Barton Landing, "14, Wiley.
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May !

PROVIDENCE CONFERENCE. - I would feel to be built upon a beautiful site about one mile above the old lot.

West Etna. — Rev. A. F. Bragdon has been holding meetings for two weeks. Some have been converted, and the church greatly quickbeen converted, and the church greatly quickbeen of the church greatly quickbeen converted. Two were received into full connection. provided for the lay delegates on the day they as Feb. 22.

Lavont. — Rev. Mr. Higgins, of Charleston, assisted by Mr. Starbird, of Dover, has been has been have provided for the lay delegates on the day they assemble here. I am reluctantly obliged to say I cannot make arrangements for preachers' wives except in cases where private arrangements have been made by themselves.

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the city of God, And long for a glimpse of its streets - th streets which no mortal hath trod;

Some glory falls over our path, as much as He deemeth it best; Its foundations o'ershadow our ways as the

shade of a marvelous rest. Yes, outside of the walls and the gates, where

by there entereth in Only whom He hath called by name whom He hath cleansed from sin.

We wait in the peace of His presence, so near to the foot of the Throne, And are filled with the blest contemplation wonders and glories unknown.

O Jerusalem, beautiful city, what stones of fair colors are thine!

I would the sweet signification of all thy foundation were mine. Thy name o'er the tide of the human wings its way, as of old did the dove,

With its message of heavenly mercy, of safe tv. of wonderous love. Thou liest in beauty so tranquil, so fair in ur

speakable grace, That souls, in beholding, might slumber, an dream 'twas the light of His face:

So we wait outside of the gates - the gates of the city of God -And ponder the ways of life's journey ways that we, weary, have trod,

Till we pause when the sound of far water with jubilant music is rife, And dream 'tis the flow of the river - the river

er of water of life. A twilight of rest at the noontide, a mingling of darkness and light,

A sound as of whispering breezes in trees that are just out of sight; So we know 'neath His wing is a shado

shade from the wearisome heat: That the trees for the healing of dropping their fruits at the feet

Of those who will gather them freely fruits that are golden and fair: That river, and refuge, and healing, all, ev

the twilight, are there: The twilight that meaneth not nightfall, a light which meaneth the Lamb:

O Jerusalem, fairest of cities, thou showes me just what I am ! We wait outside of thy walls and long for a

glimpse of thy street, ent'ring find rest at His feet :

To breathe out our souls from the only 'twere praising Him so, To touch but a hem of the garment that mak eth us whiter than snow

We stand outside of thy walls, Jerusalem, city of God. And wait for a glimpse of thy streets - the streets which no mortal hath trod;

Thy glory falls over our path, as much as He deemeth it best, Thy foundations o'ershadow our ways as the shade of a marvelous rest.

#### WHAT SHALL WE DO WITH OUR-SELVES?

BY ALICE M. GUERNSEY

One of the gifted wor land, who has delighted numberless little ones to count our ruffles? Is it sides, her precarious health had preaudiences with her charming eloquence, swaying them to mirth, to flimsy material and make it in the passion, or to tears, at will, has chosen latest fashion, spending so many to make an effort, and she started for a theme the somewhat startling question, "What shall we do with almost out of style by the time it is of forebodings as to danger and acciour daughters?" Those who have finished? Good material, well and dent by the way. Unfortunately they heard her answers can never forget plainly made, is always suitable. were realized on this her first railroad it, whatever may have been their pur- "Dress so that no one will know trip, for at a point near Irving stapose in listening. However they may what you have on," was the advice tion, in a dense swamp, the train ran sneer in their conservative pride, they of an experienced teacher. Have off the track by some means, pretty cannot fail to recognize the fact that you not seen the style of an entire thoroughly shaking up and alarming a true wife and mother was speaking school changed by the advent of a the passengers, but as good luck to their hearts from the depths of her single scholar who dressed her hair a would have it, injuring no one. own womanly heart. And ever, as I little differently from the rest? Fold recall her words, this thought shapes your striped shawl lengthwise, and nearly beside herself with fright. itself and grows within me: "By see how long it will be before all the She begged to be taken out of the car the discipline of suffering, Mrs. Liv- striped shawls in school follow your and left right there, in that wild and the cross passenger sound asleep, and ermore has earned the right to an- example. swer that question."

"What shall we do with our daughters?" The query suggests for all her children are clothed with last, when the two cars were re-adanother, which has forced itself upon scarlet," or, as sometimes rendered, justed upon the track (the locomotive nares." To me comes the brakeman, me with startling earnestness as I "with garments of warmth." Think had not "jumped" the rails), and and seating himself on the arm of the have met, from time to time, the you she would ride several miles on a her husband and the conductor had seat says:teachers of our land. As I have seen cold winter day, dressed in a thin coaxed her to let them help her on young girls, bright with the gifts and velveteen sack, a hat on the back of board, she walked along between graces of girlhood, earnestly seeking her head, and four-button kids, and them, still protesting, to the great higher culture, that they may be bet- affirm that she "wasn't cold at all; amusement of some of the passengers ter fitted for the teacher's work; as I was too warm some of the time?" that she would never ride in the have seen them go forth with energy It may be "fussy," or "old-maid-steam-cars again - never! and zeal to encounter the nameless ish," to dress in garments of warmth, have seen them return with sobered woman's having a hard cold, or dy-ling to one of the first families of faces and slower steps, wearied in the ing of consumption. contest; as I have seen the tired look the daisies;" as I have heard of secure newspaper rates. broken-down teachers everywhere;

with ourselves?" it was answered by higher wisdom done yirtuously, but thou excellest mother and many of her friends. than mine. I have found the type, them all." applicable to the sisterhood of teach-trust in life, what that means. ers. Though the memory of Mrs. "Let her own works praise her in with, -

may summon many an eminent name at our bidding, still in hamlet and queen.

search carefully for "forts and piers lead thee to the feet of the Great screwed and pried back upon the rails, and roads," lest her heavy-laden Teacher." ships be wrecked among the break-

She must find mental food in the frigid zone of metaphysics and the tropic belt of poetry and song; among the fossils of language and the jungles of mathematics. By the burning-glass of her own clear mind the rays of light from all directions must be converged on a single point - her individual field of labor; thus shall enthusiasm be kindled to a white heat, and noble work be done for God and for humanity.

"With the fruit of her hands she planteth a vineyard." The model woman, you see, takes out-door exercise. Criticise the exegesis, if you will: the fact remains that, clothed in warm, thick flannel, and boots with substantial soles, she is not afraid of God's pure air, even in a New England winter. Our model teacher knows that if "eternal vigilance is the price of liberty," it i none the less true that steady, judicious exercise is a requisite of strength. Only by suitable care for these bodies, which should be meet shrines for the soul - "the image of God" - within, can it be said of us as of the ideal woman, "She girdeth her loins with strength, and strengtheneth her arms."

"She maketh herself coverings o tapestry; her clothing is silk and purple." "Too expensive for us." you say? Not if you take the words as they are meant. Shakespeare has relatives there. it in another form : -

' Costly thy habit as thy purse can buy, But not expressed in fancy; rich, not gaudy. For the apparel oft proclaims the man.

good economy to purchase cheap, vented her from traveling at all.

den from their nerveless hands, and not send a letter inside of a bundle at accident. Notwithstanding Miss palace cars and two dollars extra for a exchange the teacher's desk for the package postage, or fold both letter Nellie's rare beauty, many accom-

not only of the true woman, but of "Give her of the fruit of her able dinner-party, where were presthe true teacher. It is generally con- hands." Ask that earnest, success- ent Mrs. E., Miss Nellie and her ceded that the closing chapter of the ful teacher, whose head is white new admirer, the conversation at a book of Proverbs is worthy the study with the frost of years, who has seen certain point turned upon railroad acof each wife and mother. Omitting boyhood and girlhood grow, under cidents. The objectionable young the part more especially adapted to her care, into manhood and woman- man, who set himself up as a great such, let us notice its descriptions as hood, and fill positions of honor and wit, joined the group who were talk- tunnel right through a mountain rather

Willard is tenderly enshrined in many the gates." I stand on the shores of a heart, though Mary Lyon held her a beautiful New England lake, at the journey was over this Vermont and gentle sway - a virgin queen - over sunset hour. Along the horizon, and Massachusetts road, the first winter is no stop-over tickets allowed; got to the fair realm of Holyoke, though we far upward toward the zenith, drift after it was built. I was a little go straight through to the station you're shade but of color. The cloud-banks with them down here to Fitchburg on city, on mountain-slopes and prairie- open, and I catch glimpses of the in- a visit. On our return the cars ran sweeps, the school world "waits its ner glory. I fancy I can see the gem- off the track somewhere in one of built walls and pearly gates of the these miserable swamps which She who would fit herself for this celestial city. In the midst of the abound along the railroad. The rus-We stand outside of the walls - the walls of gentle sovereignty, "is like the splendor that breaks over the waters, tic passengers, not being used to that merchant's ships; she bringeth her along the pathway of gold, a form is sort of thing, got considerably exfood from afar." Is it only for meat passing. Age has bent it "lower cited, although the little train was and drink that we ask when we pray, and lower to the earth, as the Angel going at a snail's pace, and nobody "Give us this day our daily bread?" of the Sickle delayed." The pearly was in the least injured. Nay, verily, for the mind must be gates unclose. I can see white-robed fed as well as the body, and for this forms that throng to welcome the angular, sallow, wall-eyed, big food the wide world of information weary one home. And as they mouthed, single-toothed woman in must be ransacked by the teacher. gather round her, I hear their words the car, who was scared just about She should have many an argosy, of greeting: "Inasmuch as thou out of what few wits she started from with "portly sail," bound for "Trip- hast done it unto us, as thou hast led home with. While the passengers olis and the Indies," and should us with tender care and love, so we were waiting for the cars to be jack-

> "Her own works praise her in the gates."

#### THE REFINER.

'Tis sweet to know that He who tries The silver takes His seat Beside the fire which purifies,
Lest too intense a heat —
Raised to consume the base alloy — The precious metals, too, destroy

'Tis sweet to think how well He knows The silver's power to bear The ordeal through which it goes; And that, with skill and care, He'll take it from the fire when fit, With His own hand to polish it.

The work He has begun Will not forsake till He can see The work well done; An image by its brightness shown The perfect likeness of His own! But oh! how much of earthly mould -

Tis blessedness to know that He

Dark relics of the mine, Lost from the ore — must He behold! How long must He refine Ere in the silver He can trace The first taint semblance of His face. Thou Great Refiner! sit Thou by, Thy purpose to fulfill; Moved by Thy hand, beneath Thine eye. And melted at Thy will, O may Thy work forever shine, Reflecting beauty pure as Thine

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BY MRS. ANNIE A. PRESTON.

When the Vermont and Massachuetts railroad was just completed, a woman, living at its eastern terminus - Fitchburg, Mass. - who was conralescing from a protracted illness, was persuaded by her husband and friends to try a change of scene and suppress their increasing merriment. air by making a journey by rail to southern Vermont, and visiting some

Mrs. E. was in an exceedingly nervous state, and not at all inclined to take a winter journey by steamcars, which was to her an entirely I remember a story of a child who new mode of traveling, she having teased for a dress just like her teach- never stepped on board a train of cars er's. "It was so pretty; it had six in her life. Railroad building in this

Finally Mrs. E. was prevailed upon nights and mornings upon it that it is upon her journey with her mind full Poor, ill, nervous Mrs. E. was

uninhabited locality. She declared the tall, thin passenger reading "Gen. The excellent woman "is not she would never again ride in a railafraid of the snow for her household; road train as long as she lived. At

Some fifteen years after this occurtrials of their chosen task; as I but there is no mention of the model rence, a dissolute young man, belongand having relatives in Fitchburg, "Strength and honor are her came down on a visit to them. At a settle upon their brows, and heard clothing" - the strength that comes social entertainment given in his the accents of authority unconscious- from a careful observance of the laws honor he met and became enamored ly blended with their tones; as I of health; the honor that scorns of Miss Nellie E., the only daughter have seen other toilers drop the bur- evasion as well as deceit - that will of this same Mrs. E. of that railroad

invalid's couch, or the rest "under and bundle in a newspaper so as to plishments, and goodness of heart, it for a brakeman. All train men in uniwas said by many that this fast young "She openeth her mouth with man had his eye more in the direc- Then the passengers are allowed to talk as I have seen, now and then, care- wisdom, and in her tongue is the law tion of a considerable sum of money less or indifferent ones who forgot, or of kindness." O the wisdom and left her by her father who had died knew not, that their work was for love which a teacher needs! Only in the meantime. He was very preeternity - I have questioned once and the infinite Wisdom can guide her, possessing in appearance, and Miss again and again, "What shall we do and the eternal Love sustain. On Nellie persisted in receiving his adsuch an one is the coveted encomium dresses, in spite of the express and

> One day, at a large and fashioning upon the subject, and broke in

"masses and moving shapes" not of chap, and father and mother took me When the car's full no extra coaches

"I well remember one tall, thin. and in fact after we had got well started, she amused us by weeping copiously, and vehemently declaring that she would never set her No. 6 foot into a railroad car again. With her was her white-eyed, red-mouthed lout of a husband, and a horrid little budget of a girl-greenhorn. Actually they were two of the most comical specimens of the female sex I ever set my eyes upon. That child must be a young 'lady' now. By Jove! I wish I could see her, and her mother, too - I should like to see what time had done for them both."

"I am that mother," spoke up Mrs. E., in a clear firm voice from the opposite side of the table; "and that child is my daughter, who now sits beside you, and whose society and mine you seem to find quite attractive, or you would not persist in haunting our house as you do, after the repeated hints I have given you: not only that I was confident my laughter's little fortune was the most important factor in the premises in your estimation, but that your person. manners and character were not at all to my liking."

The laugh was now turned upon the shallow young beau. Miss Nellie immediately rose, and left her chopfallen admirer sitting at the table. and vacantly staring at the assembled off the train as often as he likes, do the company who were vainly trying to

### A CRYING SIN.

It comes, the solemn Lenten time, When from the world apart, We Christians should review our life, And try our inmost heart.

Before Jehovah's searching sight All guilty we must be, But yet I think our crying sin Is lack of charity Proud Pharisees, we thank the Lord

We not as others seem; Our glass can magnify the "mote," But quite o'erlook the "beam." Is our own garb so undefiled,

That we may draw our robes aside And spurn the child of sin Can we stand up with spotless hands, ass sentence on another, pitying lift the murderous stone,

If Christ such mercy showed to us How swift would be our punishment, How sure would be our woe

Now in the holy Lenten time Teach us our guilt to see; Oh, send most needed of all gifts — The grace of charity!

### THE BRAKEMAN AT CHURCH.

On the road once more, with Lebanon ading away in the distance, the fat pasenger drumming on the window pane, Grant's Tour Around the World," and wondering why "Green's August Flower" should be printed above the doors of "A Buddhist temple at Be-

"I went to church yesterday." "Yes?" I said, with that interested inflection that asks for more. "And what church did you attend?"

"Which do you guess?" he asked. "Some union mission church?" nazarded.

"Now," he said, "I don't like to run on these branch roads very much. I don't often go to church, and when I don't often go to church, and when I of his poverty. "Principally," said he, with a do, I want to run on the main line, twinkle in his eye, "because I have preached where your run is regular and you go on schedule time and don't have to wait on connections. I don't like to run on a branch. Good enough, but I don't

"Episcopal?" I guessed.

"Limited express," he said; "all seat, fast time, and only stop at the big stations. Nice line, but too exhaustive form, conductor's punch and lantern silver plated, and no train boys allowed. back to the conductor, and it makes them too free and easy. No. I couldn't stand the palace cars. Rich road, Universalist?" I suggested.

Broad gauge," said the brakeman: And as I asked the question, lo! pronounced, "Many daughters have oft-repeated disapprobation of her ness. Everybody travels on a pass. naughty. He's been banging my new dolly conductor doesn't get a fare once in with all his might against the floor!" Johnny: Conductor doesn't get a fare once in fifty miles. Stops at all flag stations and won't run into anything but a union depot. No smoking car on the train. Train orders are rather vague though and the train men don't get along well with the passengers. No, I don't go to the Universalist, though I know some awfully good men run on that road."

'Presbyterian?" I asked. "Narrow gauge, eh?" said the brakeman; "pretty track, straight as a rule; Smith's."

"Oh, I say! My first railroad strict road, but the cars are a little narrow; have to sit one in a seat and no room in the aisle to dance. Then there cars built at the shop to hold just so many and nobody else allowed on. But you don't often hear of an accident on that road. It's run right up to the

> "Scrub road," said the brakeman "dirt road-bed and no ballast; no time card and no train dispatcher. Al trains run wild and every engineer makes his own time, just as he pleases Smoke if you want to; kind of a go-as you-please road. Too many side-tracks and every switch wide open all the time with the switchman sound asleep and the target lamp dead out. Get on as

"May be you joined the Free Think-

you please and get off when you want Don't have to show your ticket, and the conductor isn't expected to do anything but amuse the passengers. No, sir, I was offered a pass, but I don't No, sir, I was offered a pass, but I don't like the line. I don't like to travel on a road that has no terminus. Do you only engage, and then the mind grows know, sir, I asked a division superintendent where that road run to, and he said he hoped to die if he knew. I asked him if the general superintenden could tell me, and he said he didn't be-lieve they had a general superintendent, and that if they had, he didn't know anything more about the road than the passengers. I asked him who he reported to, and he said 'nobody.' I asked a conductor who he got his orders from; he said he didn't take orders from any living man or dead ghost. And when I asked the engineer who his orders from, he said he didn't like run that train to suit himself or he'd run it into the ditch. Now sir, I'm a railroad man, and I don't care to run on a road that has no time, makes no connections, runs nowhere and has no superintendent. It may be all right, but I've railroaded too long to under-" May be you went to the Congrega

tional church?" I said.
"Popular road," said the brakeman "an old road too; one of the very old-est in this country. Good road-bed and comfortable cars. Well managed road, too: directors don't interfere with diision superintendents and train orders Road's mighty popular, but it's pretty dependent, too. Yes, didn't one o the division superintendents down eas liscontinue one of the oldest stations on this line two or three years ago? But 's a mighty pleasant road to travel on. Always has such a splendid class of pas-

Did you try the Methodist? " I said. "Now you're shouting," he said with some enthusiasm. "Nice road, eh? Fast time and plenty of passengers. gines carry a power of steam, and don't you forget it; steam gauge shows a hundred and enough all the time. Lively road; when the conductor shouts 'al aboard,' you can hear him to the next Every train shines like a head light. Stop-over checks are given on all tickets; passenger can drop stations two or three days and hop or the next arrival train that comes thun dering along. Good, whole-souled companionable conductors: ain't a road in the country where passengers feel more at home. No passes; every passenger pays full traffic rates for his ticket. Wesleyanhouse air-brake on all trains, too; pretty safe road, but I didn't ride over it yesterday.

"Perhaps you tried the Baptist?" guessed once.

"Ah, ha!" said the brakeman, "she's daisy, isn't she? River road; beautiful curves; sweep around anything to keep close to the river, but it's all steel rail and rock ballast, single track all the way and not a side track from the round water to run it, though, double tanks at every station, and there isn't an engine in the shop that can pull a pound or run a mile with less than two gauges. But it runs through a lovely country; these river roads always do; river on one side and hills on the other, and it's a steady climb up the grade all the way til the river begins. Yes, sir, I'll take the river road every time for a lovely trip, sure connections and good time and no prairie dust blowing in at the windows. And vesterday, when the conductor came around for the tickets with a little basket punch, I didn't ask him to pass me, but I paid my fare like a little -twenty-five cents for an hour's run and a little concert by the passengers throwed in. I tell you, Pilgrim, you take the river road when you want But just here the long whistle from brakeman hurried to the door, shout-

Zionsville! This train makes no stops between here and Indianapolis!
—Burlington Hawkeye.

## For Young and Old.

### Only Fun.

.... There is something saddening about a pair of scissors. Alas! they only meet to sever .... A bald-headed clergyman took for his The hairs of our head are all num

.... "Don't I make a pretty picture?" ex

claimed Jones, rather ruefully, as he ster upon the river-bank, after his ducking, picture!" replied his friend, Snodgrass. should call it a silly-wet" (silhouette). ... The new pair of shoes came home for

tight I can't wink my toes.' .... A city broker visiting a country lady and wishing to increase her knowledge of affairs, asked her if she knew what "watering stock" meant: to which the stock" meant; to which she replied: course I do; it is giving the cows drink."

.... A young lady who came in last week to though. Don't often hear of a receiver being appointed for that line. Some mighty nice people travel on it, too."
"Universalist?" I suggested.

advertise for kitchen help, said with a sigh and awring of her dainty gloved hands, "Oh! I do hope we'll get one soon; for it does almost break my hear to see mother wash dishes with break my hear to see mother wash dishes with the religious properties." her rheumatism. Bertha: "Mamma, Johnny is awfully

.... A lad, who was at play with the son of next-door neighbor, asked his companion: Is not your father a fool?" "No! Who said that of my father?" was the reply. "No-body, as I knows on," responded the knowing urchin; "but mother told me t'other day that I was next door to a fool, and I didn't know whether she meant your father or Nat

than go around it; spirit level grade; church in a certain town in one of the Western passengers have to show their tickets bestates. He had been on very bad terms with fore they get on the train. Mighty his flock for some time. They abused him

whenever they could find occasion, and he reciprocated with equal readiness. Before his contract with the parish expired, he received the appointment of chaplain at the State prison. Elated at this lucky opportunity of getting rid of him, the congregation came in full numbers to hear his farewell sermon, perhaps less to compliment they to approx him with s to compliment than to annoy him with ence. Great was their astonishr and still greater their anger, when the rever-end gentieman chose for his text the following words, "I go to prepare a place for you.... that 'where I am there ye may be also."— EDITOR'S DRAWER in Harper's Magazine for

### Gems of Religious Thought.

.... Trouble and perplexity drive me to

.... Make the best use of what you hav and then you may look to the Lord with con-tidence for more. In the path of duty God promises His special protection; He will keep us safe and bless us. If the disposition is good, the acts will be so too, though one ma not be able to do all desired.

Are you in earnest? Seize this very minute.

Begin, and then the work will be completed. .... As the sweetest things put into sour ves sels sours them, or put into a bitter vessel em wormwood into every cup of mercy that gives into our hands. The murmurer w Marah upon all his mercies, and reads and tastes bitterness in them all. As to the hu

gry soul every bitter thing is sweet.

murmuring soul every sweet thing is bitter.

Thomas Brooks. .... It is not important that you should To be happy, to be well have all you want. To be happy, to be well fed and clothed, to have books and riches and freinds, are all good things if God gives them in reward of our labor, but they are not the things in which a man's life consists. Enjoy-ment is very equally distributed among the good, in this world, riches not always increasng it and poverty by no means destroying it. - IRENœus in Observer.

The wind may rend the mighty oak Upon the mountain side; Yet not too rudely touch the flowers That in the forest hide.

While God doth bow the stubborn heart With threatenings from above, "The meek and lowly" only feel The breathings of His love. Adelaide Stout

.... "All men forsook me," is Paul's own count of himself, "but the Lord stood with e, and strengthened me." Here is a golder int for the young who are put to their metal refusing a sinful fashion, or in bearing a or a game of cards, or a ball-room, may se nself down as a pitiable coward, who can be pushed back by a straw. If he is more afraid f a companion's sneer than of God's frown, he .... True greatness shows itself in ignoring

or quickly forgetting, personal injuries, whe meaner natures would be kept in unrest b them. The less of a man one is, the more h makes of an injury or an insult. The more of a man he is, the less he is disturbed by what others say or do against him without cause. The sea remembers not the vessel's rending keel: But rushes joyously the ravage to conceal

It is the tiny streamlet which is kept in willful boy. - S. S. Times. THE PILLAR OF THE CLOUD.

Lead Thou me on! The night is dark, and I am far from home Lead Thou me on!

Keep Thou my feet; I do not ask to see
The distant scene, — one step enough for me. I was not ever thus, nor prayed that Thou

Lead kindly light amid th' encircling gloom,

Shouldst lead me on.
I loved to choose and see my path, but now Lead Thou me on! I loved the garish day, and spite of fears, Pride ruled by will; remember not past year

So long Thy power hath blessed me, sure still
Will lead me on,
O'er moor and fen, o'er crag and torrent, till The night is gone;

Which I have loved long since, and loss John H. Newman.

### The Little Folks.

DAISY'S DIARY.

When the angels brought me down out of the skies, they left me with the prettiest lady in the world, and told me she was my mamma, and that I was a feast of St. Thomas Aquinas, will be oblittle girl. I cried when they flew away into the clouds again, but very soon my | The Pope will receive in solemn audi mamma took me in her arms and kissed ence the representatives of universitie me, and she was nice: so I guess I liked academies, scientific bodies, institute to be with her best.

After I got through crying, a gentlenan came into mamma's room. He kissed her, and just as I was going to cry again, 44 missions among the Indians of the he took me in his arms. I was so fright- Northwest Territory, with 30 miss ened I didn't dare to say a word. Then he aries and 10 assistants, and 3.115 m said: "Papa's little girl." Course I bers. There are also six Method wondered if papas were just like mammas, and thought they couldn't be, 'cause the Indians. his curly hair, instead of being on the back of his head, was on his face.

At last one day I thought I'd cry (nobody seems to do anything 'cept when I India, writes that, at the late seems cry), and what do you think, mamma gave me to a beautiful young lady, she called Dinah. Oh, she is so handsome! Her and will probably be dedicated face is brown, and she has great round month. eyes, and now I am older I can see pict- dened by the advent of a little son .... Schoolboy with a big apple. Another boy without any: "O, Bill! give us a bite, won't ye?" "No, I won't." "Well, then, give me the core?" "H'm! h'm! I tell you there ain't going to be any core."

eyes, and now I am older I can see pict-tures of babies in them. She has curlier hair than anybody, and when she laughs I can see pretty shining white teeth in hair than anybody, and when she laughs | Tinlagel, North Cornwall, recently, M I can see pretty shining white teeth in W. Morris, a preacher of the Method her mouth. She isn't so pretty as mam- Free Church, while delivering a vig ma, though. Well, she took me into another room

It was not so large as mamma's room, but full of sunshine, and a little tiny yellow bird was singing in a cage hung be hind the flowers. What do you suppose Dinah did? She took off my nice warm oldest Congregational minister in clothes and put me into the water. I little five-year-old, writes a correspondent of the Christian at Work. He tried them on, and finding that his feet were in very close quarters, exclaimed: "O my! they are so the neck, and then she took me to mamma's room.

> One time my papa sent me home a new carriage, and now every day Dinah puts a nice cloak and cap on me, and takes me to ride. She calls me "Honey," and mamma calls me "Baby," but really I am a little girl, and my name is Daisy

One day I was carried to a house larger than ours, and a nice gentleman took took me in his arms, and put some water teacher he gained for himself an envis on my head, and prayed to have me grow reputation as a scholar and original up to be good. I heard mamma say thinker. "Pooh! I seen her bang it herself t'other day." Bertha: "Well, what o' that? Ain't it she hoped when I died the angels would my dolly?" carry me to heaven. I don't know what French Protestant, will probably vis "died" means, but if they carry me away this country early in the spring, to t from my mamma, I'll just cry and cry the Christian Church here what France and cry so hard that they will be glad to needs and is fully prepared for. The have me come back; but perhaps they'll odore Monod has lived in the Uni take her too. I guess I'll ask them.

ter writes just what I tell her. Some English perfectly. .... Mr. C— was pastor of a Baptist time I'll write about her, and about my

### Meligious Items.

The Baptist missionaries in Japan have ordained their first native preacher Rev. William E. York, a member of the Central New York Conference, and pastor at Stockbridge, is dead.

Rev. Thomas S. Berry, president of Simpson Centenary College, died of Bright's disease, Feb. 10.

The California Advocate announces the death, at Yuba city, Jan. 29, of Rev. Erastus Kellogg, of the California Conference. Bishop Haven appointed Luther T.

Townsend, D. D., of Boston University ty, and George Prentice, D. D., of Wes leyan University, as his literary execu

The Greek Church has about 250 ad. herents and a chapel in San Francisco. The Presbyterian churches of New York have just sent out Miss Olinda

The centennial anniversary of Dr Channing's birthday will be celebrated at the Brooklyn Academy of Music April 7.

A remarkable revival is in progress at Trinity M. E. Church, South, Charles ton, S. C., under the management Revs. Inskip and McDonald. The Friends have in England 827

unrecorded ministers, and 14,500 mem-It is stated that no less than sixty eight missionaries have gone from Main the foreign field, nearly one-third of

whom are still in active service.

meeting-houses, 265 recorded and 400

The Congregationalists have 170 churches with 156 ministers in active work, in the Australian colonies and The Right Rev. Dr. Barclay, recently

consecrated Bishop of Jerusalem, has sailed from Southampton for Port Said. whence he will proceed to Jaffa. Hi Egypt, Abyssinia, and Asia Minor. St. Mark's Memorial Church, at Tarrytown, N. Y., of which Rev. John F.

Thursday, Feb. 5, Bishop Potter preach ng the sermon. The debt of \$26 has been removed. A considerable religious interest exists among the students at Princeton, and an invitation has been sent to Dr. Cuyler sking him to address them.

Herrlich is rector, was consecrated o

gians in England, with 4,987 members The Mormons have 82 churches, and the Jews 90 synagogues and 450 minis Dickinson College will complete its nundredth year in 1883, and the Method

There are 64 societies of Swedenborn

ist calls upon its alumni and friends to utter, by a stick thrust into its waters by a increase its endowment \$500,000 at that The evangelical German preachers of New York and vicinity have formed themselves into an association. The first meeting was held Feb. 9, in the rooms of the New York Young Men's

Christian Association. Dr. Angus, one of the company engaged in the revision of the New Testament, stated, the other night, in the course of a lecture delivered in London. that the revised New Testament will, i

all probability, be published at the end of the present year. Park City, in Utah, has six hundred inhabitants and no church or preacher. Miss Lawson, of Chesterfield, Ill., and have recently collected a school of abo ninety pupils, nearly half of them Mon mon children, and a Sunday-school has

been established. The late Dr. J. W. Taylor, of Burlington, N. J., has left a large sum for the establishment near Philadelphia of a college for the higher education of young women. Quaker doctrines be taught therein, and it will be under the care of Quaker trustees.

The 7th of March, which will be the served with special services at Rome. professors from all parts of the world

The Methodist Church of Canada has missionaries between Puget Alaska, and a number of teachers amon

Rev. Isaac F. Row, formerly of t N. E. Conference, now missionary his Conference, he was return Bombay for a fourth term of se The new church there is nearly Brother Row's heart is

During a missionary meeting held ous address, fell forward upon the form, and died immediately. The ev created a most profound impression Rev. S. Parmelee, D. D., of Oswego

now in his 99th year, is said to be country. He was installed in 180 Vermont, one year before the late D Ide of Medway graduated at Brov University. He preached for more the sixty years, and is still in excelle health and spirits. Rev. Charles H. Parkhurst, of Leno.

Mass., has accepted the call of the Mac ison Square Presbyterian Church, New York, and has already entered upon duties. Mr. Parkhurst graduated Amherst College in 1866. He studie theology first in this country, and the in Germany under the late Profess Tholuck, and both as a student Pastor Monod, the distinguished

States, was converted, studied theo I'm too little to write this, so my sis- and began his ministry here. He s what France needs; he has the dence of his brethren at hor admirably fitted to represent their view and desires.

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ingloms, together with every phenom. the next Annual Conference." and of the body and mind, is suggestive ocial life, together with State and na. ences." onal movements, is ever pointing to ssessor to his particular life-work, and he finds the work a necessity in

The preacher of the Gospel has not all, accompanied by a sense of "Wo lerein is seen the divinity of this call. fod calls, not only by giving ability called do not feel, Wo unto me if I am Here the question arises, Who is the acts of the men for the office? It must be quite evident to all that our bishops are, by the extensiveness of their field or, in other words, for pastor and peofair and close acquaintance with the men of labor, necessarily hindered from a fair and close acquaintance with the men of labor, necessarily hindered from a fair and close acquaintance with the men of labor. This being the character of their field or, in other words, for pastor and peofair and close acquaintance with the men opportunity presented he of labor. This being the character of their field onto make it, their successors in liss health, that in 1836 he asked and relication. Most of his life since ceived a location. Most of his life since then has been spent at Rochester, N. H., where for many years he has labored for the many laboration of the pastoral term, was overwhelmingly negatived. Whether this action is a reliable indication of the real ceived a location. work, both ministers and laymen have a voice in their election. The office of presiding elder is sufficiently analogous in character of work as to require the same class of constituents.

(b) It is to be found alone in usage and disciplinary law. But does this render a decision as to its expediency, or to its rightness or wrongness? While worthis, is he not wanting in ability to choose from their number the best qualified men for the office? Again, allowing, as we gladly do, that the bishops are pre-eminently great, good and wise, can the judgment of one of them supposed that it is found in body in the supposed that it is not supposed our Discipline, howsoever grand it may be, and the stating too much to claim that not office of presiding elder is sufficiently analogous in character of work as to require the same class of constituents.

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ministry.

The bishops are cognizant of this lack of knowledge, and therefore do not act independently in the matter, but virtually appoint men chosen by other parties. ly appoint men chosen by other parties, it.

o waste, we will forward to any one may be brought to an account, and ple," is the best in national life, why not the scope of the fifteenth Psalm has almost unerring; and as to all beyo Anterchinums, Fancy Pinks, Double Dalsams, largely control the religious and temporal interests of the churches and cure a desired end to everelse framelies. also the personal interests of the min- in church government. istry. Hence the question arises, Why should not the ministry and laity conrect-me-not, German Pansies, stitute, at least to some degree, their Candy-tuft, Mignonnette, constituency, thereby making them

could be borne with better grace. sphiect does not debar from investi- one added by an association of minis- troduction of this middle mill; but as the ner and Norway have each built themters who met in Boston, Nov. 14, 1879, plan now stands, it seems an unwarranted selves houses of worship, highly credit-

he nature of the call to the presiding pointed by the bishops on the nomina- was very respectably supported, and will Turner and a convenient place of wor- worthy of such a mother, especially durtion of a majority of the Annual Confertion of a majority of the Annual ConferGenerally speaking, all men have
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but a few for all classes of work. And
men usually fall into that class of work
for which they are best qualified. The for which they are best qualified. The shall demand that the minister so nom- assigned them were read by Revs. J. Livesey, prosper in all laudable undertakings, join the Church triumphant, and lives in rson who is a natural agriculturist insted should be otherwise employed, V. W. Mattoon, H. B. Hibben, and W. J. can cheer his heart by aiding him in the mansions of the just. "Servant of omes a farmer; the tanned face and he shall communicate his judgment to Smith. Each of these brethren showed, what paying this debt, and help forward the God, well done! parned, calloused hands are not morti- the Conference, which shall then pro- is quite rare upon such occasions, a real inter- finishing and furnishing of the church. but are indices pointing to an ceed to make other nominations until est in the subject treated and faithful work in Norway Methodists have finished and the required number shall be obtained."

nominate presiding elders, the presidence of mechanical skill and perfection. Others of an inquiring and bishop shall select and appoint serves publication. Owing either to heteroad Baptist Churches; and if I do not lieve that it is well with her. Naturally No. 1. BUBLICAL EXPLORATION. A condensed scerning mind take to the study of them, and if any vacancies in the office doxy in the book, or the brethren, no one err in memory, the friends of the Uniedicine and law; with the one, every shall occur in the interim of the Con- could be found to review Bishop Merrill's versalist Church also extended a help-

ther, every act of man in business and resentation into the Annual Confer- profitably done. We were never present at enterprise, will write a full description

As this subject is considered, objecnotice the two most important : -

1. The election of the presiding elpreach, but also by a special call to looking after the spiritual interests of the work of preaching. Hence the the church by following out the directions of the pastor. Not so with the on the other hand, the call to the office presiding elders; they not only have in intendents, class-leaders, etc., who leave their upon him elder's orders. The diminutive presiding elder is a human call, based them the called the supposition that the called the called the supposition that the supposition that the called the supposition that the suppositio have pre-eminent ability for the particbishops, the bishops appoint as they arty best qualified to judge of the fit- direct. The pastor has no right to ap-

wise, can the judgment of one of them Discipline, howsoever grand it may be, suppose he is well acquainted with all parties—be set rationally against the judgment of a whole Conference very intimately acquainted with its individual members? Such a supposition seems too absurd to be entertained united by the seems to be a seem to less we suppose them to be divinely directed much above their brethren in the ministry.

which procedure is very questionable.

Shall one, two, three, or even six members of any Conference of

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FERENCE.

fing Elders are to be chosen by the following changes in Discipline are pro- is a growing desire in this district to be in-

preparation. Their papers were highly enhonorable vocation. Men of natural constructiveness become mechanics; the one giving the finishing stroke, is the required number shall be obtained. Their papers were inguly constructiveness well as by the members of the Conference. Rev. Brother Allen, of Plymouth, read a most disconnected their house free from indebting the funished their house free from indebting the funish addicine and law; with the one, every small occur in the interim of the Conpullity of the vegetable and mineral litheraction of the vegetable and mineral the next Annual Conference."

"New Testament Idea of Hell." Aside from the plans of the committed ing hand with kind words and wishes. In particular, a parade of virtues, and now that sne is gone, extended eulogies of her character this miscarriage in the plans of the committed in the plans of the plans of the committed in the p

tee, the programme announced was strictly South Paris charge, whom God has as of the body and mind, is suggestive any of disease and remedy; with the provide for the introduction of lay-repairs of the introduction of lay-repairs of the conference work was well and provide for the introduction of lay-repairs of the conference work was well and provide for the introduction of lay-repairs of the conference work was well and provide for the introduction of lay-repairs of the conference work was well and provide for the introduction of lay-repairs of the conference work was well and provide for the introduction of lay-repairs of the conference work was well and provide for the introduction of lay-repairs of the conference work was well and provide for the introduction of lay-repairs of the conference work was well and provide for the introduction of lay-repairs of the conference work was well and provide for the introduction of lay-repairs of the conference work was well and provide for the introduction of lay-repairs of the conference work was well and provide for the introduction of lay-repairs of the conference work was well and provide for the introduction of lay-repairs of the conference work was well and provide for the introduction of lay-repairs of the conference work was well and provide for the introduction of lay-repairs of the conference work was well and the confer such a gathering with more enjoyment. Considerable feeling was developed among of which I am ignorant. legal attitude justice requires. These tions arise. However, we think they certain of the laymen when it was found that tatural endowments call or compel the lose all weight when investigated. We a strict following of the disciplinary order of business would require at least a week; and to relieve the burden, some of the reports were passed. The space for action which order to meet the demands of his tastes ders by the ministry and laity would be represented their importance as connected

divesting the bishops of a prerogative with the conference seemed to be narrowing 13, 1802, and died Feb. 5, 1880, in his which by right belongs to them. Upon with wondrous rapidity, while they were unwith wondrous rapidity, while they were unally natural endowments, but a special what does this prerogative rest? (a) ceremoniously remanded to the background Certainly not in a fact found inherently and silence. Nor was their feeling altogether to me if I preach not the Gospel." involved in the office. We can conceive unjust. Yet while so much must be done in how it may be the pastor's prerogative order to give the institution even the semappoint class-leaders, for they are his blance of excuse for its existence, some things with a conviction that God had called assistants in pastoral work, particularly looking after the spiritual interests of the annual Conference will be met here. Undence, and in July, 1829, was ordained doubtedly the committee for next year will deacon, at Gardiner, by Bishop Hedding. make some arrangement whereby the super- Bishop Soule, two years later, conferred

Favorable action was taken upon a paper have pre-eminent ability for the partic-stead of following the directions of the hishons, appoint, as they ference. This reform seems not only neces- them as their pastor. The wear and tear sary, but inevitable, and if the wise men at of the itinerant life proved so trying to to Chelsea in 1855. Here also he was less of the men for the office? It must point the stewards, because their work Cincinnati do not make it, their successors in his health, that in 1836 he asked and re-

of the several Conferences. It cannot work, both ministers and laymen have a chis action is a reliable indication of the real has always been glad to preach the Gos-

LETTER FROM MAINE.

itinerant life — the thirty-eighth — with broken syllables, but with a radiant face, satisfaction? No, far from it; gladly his firm belief that his tongue would be would I go back and take out, and put loosed in heaven, and that his "light was a very remarkable woman in many in, and thus patch up my mistakes, but there's no revision permitted, no amendments allowed: but under a humiliating loosed in neaven, and that his "light affliction" would work out for him "a respects. She had but few equals. No one could be sad in her presence, for religion was her theme. She had a word of comfort for all. She received a word of comfort for all. ments allowed; but under a humiliating sense of my imperfections I see the beauty of Christ's advocacy gleaming Smith, died at 13,115. through my tears and fears, and through

nian conqueror, said he saw a difficulty.

In some war Alexander had been struck across the forehead with a sword, and divine service at the house of God, but FERENCE.

Candy-tuft, Mignonnette, sweet William, Calliopsis, Morning Glory.

Any who avail themselves of this offer, may enclose money, or post-office order, and write their name plainly, giving State and county as well as post-office, in order to avoid with greater respect and more love, and with greater respect and more love, and with greater respect and more love, and some degree, their constituency, thereby making them constituency.

The dvalatages accruing from the act of giving the ministry and laity a voice of file. M. E. Church in Sandwich, Mass., Feb. 10-12. Through the failure of Bishop Fos- and if I omit it, it will fail to be a period fers to the admirers of the monarch, and if I omit it, it will fail to be a present of the monarch, and if I omit it, it will fail to be a present of them of them of them of the ministry and laity a voice of the M. E. Church in Sandwi as post-office, in order to avoid with greater respect and more love, and peared to bear their disappointment quite as in deep thought—a seemingly acci- not surprised. She said to the writer, well as post-office, in order to avoid with greater respect and more love, and failure in receiving the seeds. Postage samps, in any large amount, we have difficulty in using. Sometimes letters reach us without the writer's signature. Sometimes no State or post-office, in order to avoid with greater respect and more love, and peared to bear their disappointment quite philosophically. A large number of preaching preach of their being created bishops by the fact of their being created bishops be an important sense sub-bishops, would the duties which the Bishop's absence put upon the scar, completely covering it,

> rited to the obsequies of this unfortunate completed, but when the audience-room ship for the people resident in that part ing her closing years. To her daughter Delia, with whom she lived for years,

of his church building, and give details

Obituaries.

Rev. James Warren, of Rochester, N. H., was born in Lebanon, Me., March

78th year. Father Warren, as he was respectfully called by the present generation, was converted in his youth, and united with the Methodist Church. On reaching manhood's estate he became impressed toms of half a century ago. The old residents of Thomaston, Lovell, South

injured his speech that conversation became exceedingly difficult, and often im-Closing up another year's work in the life. He was accustomed to express in

Smith, died at Plymouth, N. H., Nov. she could possibly be there. She loved

and laity have neither art nor part in tems of government are dapane of the interaction of the matter? Farther, the responsibilities devolving upon the occupants of lities li MR. EDITOR: We will see the second of the office naturally make them amenable to the office naturally make them amenable to the ministry and laity. Our bishops are accountable to the General Conferus the small amount necessary to the small necessity of eloquently like that of the gifted M. T., Christ. As one has said of her, "She was strongly attacked to the faith of the Church, and her attachment necessity of eloquently like that of the gifted M. T., Christ. As one has said of her, "She was strongly necessary to the ministry have generally proved them."

It is a devolving upon the occupants of government? And if the office naturally make them amenable to the fine of government? And if the office naturally make them amenable to the fine of government? And if the office naturally make them amenable to the office naturally make the small amount necessary to stress and the small amount necessary to stress are accountable to the quarterly contering flowers, and the seed is choice and fresh, and rather than have it go and fresh, and rather than have it go to waste, we will forward to any one to the people, by the people, for the people, for the people, for the people, to the people, the people to impart to quarterly conference to the quarterly conference to the quarterly conference to the disciplinary requirements, thus deductions of the poople, and it made that the people to impart to quarterly conference than a century's history. And if ing from the interest which a disciplinary requirements, thus deductions of the poople, and it made to the people, by the people, by the people, by the people, by the people, the people to impart to quarterly conference to the people their conference that a disciplinary requirements, thus deductions of the people within the limit of the people to impart to quarterly conference to the people their conference that a disciplinary requirements, thus deductions of the people within the limit of the people to the people that the people to the people their conference that a disciplinary requirements, thus deductions of the people within the people that the people sending us twenty-five cents either ejected from office if inability mark every movement, but are retained at the with printed directions for the sucwith printed directions for the sucpleasure of the presiding bishop. Still

No. 2 the scope of th assful growing of the seeds; or for farther, the office is administrative, be- libels the intelligence of the ministry pity they will not talk as candidly before tions and hardships of the early itiner restful growing of the seeds; or for larring, the onice is summistrative, or and laity, presenting them as wanting ing of the same nature as that of the bishop, or, in other words, they are ability, from a lack of good judgment, we must so deport ourselves as to leave was called to experience could make on. No. 1. — Verbena, German Aster, bishop, or, in other words, they are ability, from a lack of good judgment, we must so deport ourselves as to leave managers; and in this capacity they or else from an overpowering tendency no room for just censure. An eminent whit less the tender love she alw y poral interests of the churches, and cure a desired end, to exercise franchise to paint Alexander the Great so as to her. No utterances of malice or ill-win give a perfect likeness of the Macedo- ever escaped her lips, but true to he

office is given. Of course we are unoffice is given. Of course we are
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un the ground of complaint. We venture to general and encouraging interest. Many of affinity with such men in the Maine Constate that not one in ten of the itinerants the pastors were able to speak of quite exten- ference, and on Lewiston district too - she held fast to the Church of her choice, appointed, are absolutely appointed by the bishops, and it follows that not one in ten of the churches to be served are served by the bishops, but this work is done by the presiding elders. And herein lies the ground of complaint, if the day a learned and a large number of the ground of complaint. herein lies the ground of complaint, they being neither of the ministry nor the real object and utility of these exof the laity; and they transact and aminations, except in the case of that very speak with gratitude of God's blessing minister of Christ found, till a settled Coming to his new appointment, the manage business of the greatest impor- small class of men who never intend to leave upon the labor and toil, faith and place was provided, room in her house tance for said parties. Allow the min- the local ranks, seems to be a subject upon prayer of His ministers and people. to lodge, a place at her table, and a warm istry to have a voice in the election, and then it will be their own representations and then it will be their own representations are supported by the first of those saved through the regular annual Conference examinations. and then it will be their own representative that is acting for them; and if where for the most part the same work is well the list of those saved through the God have remained for weeks in the enjoyment of her hospitality, assured all burdens are now and then imposed, they gone over without reference to this already temporal interests of the district com- the while that they were with one like done. If the examinations from the quarterly pare favorably with other years. At Lydia of old. Her house was opened to The propositions recommended by the up to the annual formed a graded system, so several points the repairing and remodel- the people of God for religious services, and many a soul while there east its burminority of the committee appointed by that the licentiate were regularly passed from ing of parsonages and church edifices dens at the foot of the cross, and emthe last General Conference to have one to the other upon proof of proficiency, have greatly added to the beauty and braced Christ as the Saviour. Though wth. However, the importance of general charge of the subject, with the some valid reason would be seen for the inconvenience of houses and people. Tur- hard of hearing, she could read the finest print, and after she was ninety she read requiring only candor in thought. seem to be just, and the change they would bring about much needed. The loss of the Discipline reads thus: "Pre- would bring about much needed. 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To substitute for ¶ 161 the follow- child of General Conference; and although a is finished, and the spire lengthened, it perfect heart. God blessed her labors, ot only the source of the call, but also ing: "Presiding elders shall be ap- motion to behead it on the spot was lost, it will be an ornament to the village of and her children have proved themselves

MIRANDA PRINDLE died in Keene, N. H.

retiring in her feelings and habits during life, she had an aversion to anything like that the Church had many, such examples of piety! PASTOR.

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Died, in Whitefield, Me., Nov. 26, 1879,

able old Sandwich opens her doors and larders for the entertainment of a similar body, may we be there.

Brother Warren's experience was like good noty interior many years, to dying testimony (though we have it) no dying testimony (though we have it) to tell us she has gone safely to join the steady, and full. About two years since the received a paralytic shock, which so church above. "Blessed are the dead

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was a very remarkable woman in many
respects. She had but few equals. No

onall one, two, three, or even six members of any Conference—especially they who are already filling the office—choose the presiding elders, while the ministry who are already filling the office, by another to make certain the presiding elders, while the ministry would give rise to questionable planning and ill woven, has, nevertheless, cheered and blessed some for whom Christ died. My field of labor from Merriconeag Point to Megalloway river has been full to the Church by Rev. Abraham D. Merrill. In March, Is28, she was united in marriage to Rev. My field of labor from Merriconeag Point to Megalloway river has been full to the church by Rev. Abraham D. Merrill. In March, Is28, she was united in marriage to Rev. J. G. Smith; and for twenty years, and on thirteen different circuits and statics of the tiles. St. S. Gross.

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#### THE WEEK.

DAILY RECORD OF LEADING EVENTS.

Tuesday, February 24.

Over forty thousand people are reported to have died of diphtheria in Central Russia since November. Labor troubles in St. Louis are on the in

crease. Strikes exist among the cabinet makers, brass finishers, wagon makers, wood carv ers, and others.

It is reported from Madrid that 1,500 house have been destroyed in Tripoli by floods. The Supreme Court of the District of Column

bia has sustained the Postmaster General in refusing to deliver letters addressed to lotter managers and other swindlers.

Hon, John M. Brodhead of Washington died in South Newmarket, N. H., Sunday night. For many years he held the office of Second Comptroller at Washington. It is understood that he left by his will \$10,000 to establish a library in South Newmarket, providing the town will change its name to Newfield, its former name.

#### Wednesday, February 25.

The barque Strathnairn, bound to Melbourne has been sunk by a collision, and sixteen persons drowned.

A disastrous fire has occurred at Brewsters N. Y., destroying one-third of the business portion of the town; loss over \$100,000. The annual loss by the cotton worm insect

in this country is estimated at from twelve to thirty million dollars. The worst snowstorm that has been experi-

enced in the Northwest for several years, is reported from Dakota. There is strong opposition to the proposed

minster Abbey. Dean Stanley will not, how ever, alter his decision in its favor. Gen. Grant is receiving most distinguished attentions in Mexico.

#### Thursday, February 26.

The New York Republican Convention has ditions to the HERALD list this year, and these instructed its delegates to vote for Gen. Grant. and others will doubtless begin a fresh can-The Vermont Convention selected for its candidate Senator Edmunds.

Joseph E. Temple, of Philadelphia, has given \$60,000 to the Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts. David Landreth, the well-known nurseryman

and seedman of Philadelphia, died yesterday at the age of 78. The San Francisco police force has been

largely increased, and everything is in readiness for any sudden exigency. There was a lively debate in the U.S. Senate

served in the Confederate army.

#### Friday, February 27. Upwards of 90,000 people in the county o

Galway, Ireland, are reported to be in a destitute condition, and many of them slowly

The San Francisco mob is said to be arming M. de Lesseps, the great French engineer.

gineers in New York last evening.

The House of Representatives has passed the "Star" route postal service bill, appropriating \$970,000 for inland mail transportatio till the end of the fiscal year. Second Assistant Postmaster General Brady was threatened with impeachment in the course of debate upon this subject.

### Saturday, February 28.

Four thousand men are on a strike for ten per cent. advance in wages, in Cohoes, N. Y.

The steamer Para, from Boston to Liverpool has foundered off Cape Sable. No lives lost.

The Union Pacific Railroad has seized the lines of the Western Union Telegraph Company on the Kansas Pacific Railroad, in defiance of the injunction of the court.

### Monday, March 1.

lation of Parliament.

The work of piercing Mount St. Gothard was satisfactorily completed yesterday with great rejoicing.

Wm. M. Vanderbilt, according to the Treasury books, owns thirty-one and a half million dollars of registered four per cent bonds.

General Melikoff has been appointed virtual dictator in St. Petersburg.

### CONNECTICUT.

The Eastern Connecticut Ministerial Association held their winter meeting at Burnside, Feb. 23-25. Brother Farnsworth preached ably Monday evening, and Dr. Church delivered a remarkable sermon Tuesday evening, on "The Resurrection." Brother Axtel had an exegesis on "Preaching to the Spirits in Prison," and Brother Povey labored hard to inform us concerning "The Teachings of ment. Methodism in regard to the Millennium.'

The principal theme before the meeting was, "How can we best save the children to Christ and the Church?" Brother Benton ence for good. Mrs. Wright's valuable ably presented the Scripture view; Brother work, "The Complete Home," seems Robinson very clearly the disciplinary plan; destined to make a still greater impres-Brother Gowan the parents' work; Brother Hunt the pastor's work, and Brother Farnsworth the work of the Sunday-school. Bro. F. is superintendent of the Sunday-school at Danielsonville as well as pastor, and his paper was a masterly presentation of his subject.

The brethren voted unanimously in favor of a Connecticut Conference, and appointed a committee of correspondence on the subject. They are gentlemen worthy of confidence, and have by a thorough experience in the The ladies connected with the Burnside church and congregation provided a very fine church and congregation provided a very fine collation for the brethren and sisters on Tue:day noon and Tuesday evening. The congregations at the various services were very fine, the homes where we stopped were elegant, and the brethren came away hoping that we may have another opportunity soon of going to Burnside to preachers' meeting. Brother S. O. Benton, pastor of the church, is greatly beloved in the community, and Sister B. is

papy of gentlemen and ladies coming in sud-denly upon them, with their hands and arms uable. They can be compared by an exheavily loaded with baskets and packages filled with good things for the table and larder of the family. The occasion was enlivened with social intercourse music and singened with social intercourse, music and singing. Rev. Wm. B. Heath, pastor, and fam-personal knowledge and critical examifriends, and say that though their visit was unexpected, it is not unappreciated, and that tioned manufacturers. in all probability the effects of it will last

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RHODE ISLAND. Brother E. F. Clark presented a very able

paper at the Providence Preachers' Meeting, Feb. 23, on the " Hebdomadal Theory of the Creation." The essay was freely discussed by Drs. Coggeshall and Whedon, and Broth ers Stetson and Raymond.

The ladies of Hope Street Church invited the Providence pastors and their wives to a supper on the evening of Feb. 25. The unavoidable absence of several brethren from the city was a great disappointment, but did not entirely hinder the enjoyment of the excellent supper by those who were present.

Mrs. J. K. Barney addressed very large ongregations at Phenix on Sunday on the subjects of temperance and missions.

At a missionary concert at Trinity Church on the evening of Feb. 22, Brother S. W. Foss, of Brown University, made a ringing lilaries to attend. C. A. RICHARDSON, Rec. Sec'y. appeal for a mission in Brazil. It was a pa per worthy of the consideration of the author ities of the church.

Brother I. T. Johnson began his labor with Brother Cady at the First Church, Pawtucket, Feb. 26. The good work goes on at Thames Street,

Newport, Brother Fernald, pastor. More spring, and make it a complete success. than thirty have asked prayers within the last three months, and still they come. At the last monthly meeting of the W. F. M. Society of Providence, Mrs. C. F. Hull,

of Mathewson Street Church, presented a pamemorial to the late Prince Imperial in West- that its hearers only wished it longer. next ten months for \$1.50 is received with for low rates for our periodical press must tended to by our pastors, enough will undoubt of the Providence pastors have made large ad-

#### NEW HAMPSHIRE.

cessful.

Marlborough. - A blessed revival is in progress in this place, which commenced during the series of meetings held by the State execitive committee of the Y. M. C. A. Last Sunday a union meeting was held in the Congregational church. In the evening some forty persons presented themselves as subjects for prayer. The extra meetings are continued, yesterday on the question of giving an appoint- and the church is enjoying a blessed outpourment in the U. S. army to a person who had ing of the Holy Spirit. The ladies' annual festival, which occurred recently, was a great uccess, notwithstanding grab-bags and raffling were tabooed. Bro. Coult, the pastor, enounces all these questionable ways of

Salem. - Rev. E. C. Berry, pastor at this "Our church membership lace, writes: numbers a little less than a hundred. Ou parish is not large, and yet, during the present Conference year, we have repaired our parsonaddressed the American Society of Civil En- age at an expense of \$450, and paid for it. We have also insured it for \$1,000, and paid the charges for that; and towards a debt of \$2,500, we have raised \$2,215, taking up four part of which were in cash, we were left nearly on notes that were held against the society three for \$500 each, and one for \$20, and the rest (collected) we have paid towards the last note held against the society. Feb. 25, an old people's concert and fan drill were given, the proceeds of which amounted to nearly

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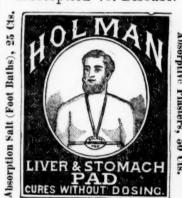
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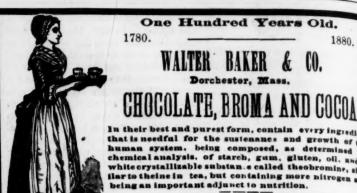
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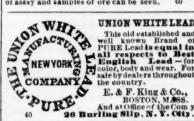
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